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### AINSWORTH TRIAL

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DEFENCE

ACCUSED REBUKED FOR  
MISSTATEMENTS

The hearing was resumed in the Supreme Court this morning before His Honour the Chief Justice, Mr. A. D. A. Macgregor, of the case in which Mr. A. E. Ainsworth of the Star Ferry Co. is charged with the manslaughter of a Chinese man, Ma Ho-tai, who was struck by a car driven by the accused at the junction of Nathan Road and Jordan Road on February 1.

Mr. Ainsworth entered the witness box and gave evidence as to how the accident had occurred. He was subjected to a gruelling cross-examination by the Assistant Attorney-General, Mr. J. A. Fraser, who is conducting the case for the Crown. He made several misstatements which ended in Mr. Fraser requesting him to be more accurate in his answers. In evidence he stated that as a precautionary measure he sounded his horn before entering the controlled areas. He subsequently corrected this and said that he did this only at crossings.

The proceedings opened this morning with Mr. Fraser recalling Sergeant McInnis to the witness box. This action was taken in view of the importance of the defence is attaching to the speed of the car at the time of the accident. After witness had given evidence as to having examined the brakes on three occasions he was cross-examined by Mr. H. C. Macnamara, counsel for the defence.

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### JUBILEE POSTAL CONCESSIONS

Radio Telephone Rates  
To Be Reduced

EMPIRE COMMUNICATIONS  
TO BE IMPROVED

London, To-day.

A precedent of Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee, when important postal concessions took effect, will be followed on the occasion of His Majesty the King's Silver Jubilee.

The Postmaster General, Sir Kingsley Wood, announced in the House of Commons yesterday that they will include firstly a reduction of telegram charges to a new rate, as from May 31, of six pence for nine words and a penny for each additional word, secondly, a new parcels' scale of six pence for three pounds with a penny for each additional pound up to nine pounds, and flat rate of a shilling from nine to fifteen pounds.

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### JUBILEE CHURCH SERVICES

His Excellency the Governor has expressed the hope that all places of religious worship will hold a special service of commemoration, or will commemorate the Silver Jubilee of His Majesty the King in their services, on May 12, 1935.



President Antanas Smetona of Lithuania found himself the focus of European eyes at the recent Memel incident assumed major importance.

### BRITISH SPEED ACE FINED FOR SPEEDING

Sir Malcolm Campbell's  
Defence

LICENSE NOT ENDORSED

London, To-day.

After earning the plaudits of the world for travelling at nearly 300 miles an hour, Sir Malcolm Campbell was fined £1 at Eastleigh, Hants, petty sessions yesterday for exceeding the 30 miles an hour limit in a built-up area near Southampton.

Sir Malcolm in a letter pleaded guilty to unwittingly breaking the law owing to the absence of restriction signs and said that both his passenger and he himself were under the impression that they had passed out of the restricted area.

He pointed out that he had driven motor cars for over 30 years and had never had an accident involving injury to persons or property and had preserved a clean license the whole time. The magistrates decided not to endorse Sir Malcolm's license. — Reuter.

### LONDON TO TOKYO SOLO FLIGHT

British Plane For  
Japanese Pilot

London, to-day.

The British aeroplane in which the Japanese pilot, Katsutaro Aino, will shortly make an attempt on the record for a solo flight from London to Tokyo, over a route which is regarded as less dangerous than the usual route, was christened "Blue Seas" by Madame Matsudaira, wife of the Japanese Ambassador to London, when she accompanied her husband to Feltham yesterday. — Reuter.

### JEAN BATTEN'S RECORD

London, to-day. — Miss Jean Batten, the 25-year-old New Zealand airwoman, completed her Australia-England flight yesterday in 17 days, 16 hours and 15 minutes.

She now holds the record for the England to Australia flight for women, and is the only woman who has made the double journey. — British Wireless Service.

### Earl Jellicoe's Daughter To Be Married To-day

Lady Gwendoline L. Jellicoe, eldest daughter of Admiral of the Fleet Earl Jellicoe and Countess Jellicoe, of Cadogan-square, S.W., will to-day be married in London to Major Edward Latham, M.C., Royal Horse Artillery, elder son of the late Mr. Thomas Ringrose Latham and Mrs. Latham, of Pontefract, S.W.

In 1931 Lady Gwendoline accom-

### ANXIETY IN YUNNAN INTENSIFIED

### MARTIAL LAW DECLARED IN CAPITAL

APPEAL FOR REINFORCEMENTS

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Canton, To-day.

Shanghai dispatches from Government news agencies stated on Sunday night that Kuting (Ch'uching), in Eastern Yunnan, has not been occupied by the Communists, and that General Lung Yun, the Yunnan G.O.C., is directing operations there.

Military observers here believe, however, that unless Nanking troops have been sent to Yunnan by way of the northern districts, the Reds are bound to overrun the province. They declare that the 15,000 provincial forces are no match for the 30,000, or more, invading hordes.

It is reported that General Lung has urged the Kwangsi authorities to send reinforcements.

The "Canton Daily Sun" stated yesterday morning that martial law has been proclaimed at Yunnanfu (Kunming), the provincial capital, as a precautionary measure.

### ECONOMIC MISSIONERS IN S. CHINA

Bad Weather Holds  
Plane At Swatow

PROGRAMME ARRANGED FOR  
CANTON VISIT

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Canton, To-day.

Held up by bad weather, the six members of the American Economic Mission spent last night in Swatow and are continuing their journey this morning to Canton on board the passenger plane of the China National Aviation Corporation.

The Douglas Dolphin plane took off yesterday at 3.10 p.m. from Swatow for Canton, but turned back as the weather became unfavourable towards dusk. The trip from Shanghai to Swatow was uneventful and completed on time.

Members of the Economic Commission to Canton include Mr. W. Cameron Forbes, chairman of the Commission, Mr. Charles J. Carroll, Mr. E. C. Jones, Mr. H. M. Bixby, Mr. John B. Chevalier and Mr. Leighton W. Rogers.

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### FORBES ECONOMIC MISSION ARRIVES IN CANTON

Canton, To-day.

The Forbes Economic Mission arrived in Canton this morning at 8.50. — Our Own Correspondent.

### KWEICHOW OFFICIAL LEAVES FOR KWEIYANG

Hankow, To-day. — Mr. Wu

Chung-hain, the new chairman of the Kweichow Political Council, left for Kweiyang this morning aboard General Chang Haueh-liang's plane. — Reuter.

### EX-GENERAL BLACKS BOOTS IN SHANGHAI

Keeping Himself In  
The Public Eye

FAILS IN HIS OBJECT AND  
GOES TO CANTON

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Canton, To-day.

From Brigadier General to boot black is the dramatic but varied career of Kiang Min-shing, hero of many campaigns against the Japanese in Manchuria, who is now a visitor to Canton.

"I led my men against the Japanese in spite of overwhelming odds," declared General Kiang in an interview yesterday morning, "and I am quite prepared to fight again when the next opportunity arises."

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### WORLD RED CROSS LEAGUE

American Admiral As  
New Chairman

Paris, to-day.

Admiral Grayson, of the United States Fleet, was elected chairman of the International League of Red Cross Societies in succession to the late Judge Barton Payne at a meeting of the Board of Governors yesterday. — Reuter.

### GERMANY AND THE FAR EAST

Berlin, To-day.

The Chinese Minister, Mr. Liu Chung-chieh, prominent actors, professors and officials attended the dinner given last night by the Far East Association to the Chinese actor Dr. Mei Lan-fang, who promised to bring his troupe to Germany some time. — Reuter.

### CHINESE NEWSPAPER MAGNATE RESIGNS

Shanghai, to-day.

Mr. T. B. Chang, the Chinese newspaper magnate, resigned the general managerhips of the China Press, the China Times, the China News, and the Shun Shu News Agency to-day, pending the appointment of the Mr. Tu Yueh Sen, a prominent French town resident, as acting general manager for the four organisations. — Reuter.



M. Eleutherios Venizelos, former Premier of Greece, often named as its greatest living man, is now a homeless exile. He has been trying to explain his part in the recent revolution as he lands at Naples, a political refugee.

### BRITISH UNEMPLOYMENT

CHASER PLANES TO PATROL  
GERMAN BORDER

To Prevent Abuses By  
Foreign Planes

Strasbourg, to-day.  
A squadron of chaser planes capable of a speed of 250 miles an hour will police the frontier with a view to preventing abuses by foreign planes.

When a foreigner is sighted the police plane will take off ahead of it, photograph it and signal it either to land or return.

The photographs will be utilised in connection with diplomatic representations. — Reuter.

### RUSSIAN WOMAN REFUGEES IN CHINA PORTS

LEAGUE'S INTEREST  
IN THE PROBLEM

CENTRES FOR VOCATIONAL  
TRAINING?

Geneva, To-day.

The League of Nations proposes to establish vocational training centres, cheap kitchens and special hostels in Shanghai, states a report of the Traffic in Women and Children Committee of the League, in order to remedy the situation of Russian women refugees, more than one in every five of whom, the report asserts, are prostitutes.

It says that thousands of women have been driven out of Manchuria by economic necessity and that their situation is daily becoming worse in all the big ports of China.

Out of nearly 10,000 Russian women in Shanghai 7,200 are between the ages of 16 and 45 and of these 22½ per cent. are known to be prostitutes. — Reuter.

### NEW FRANCO-SOVIET AGREEMENT

Ministers Approve  
Text

Paris, To-day.

After two and a half hours' talk yesterday M. Laval, the French Foreign Minister, and M. Potemkin, the Russian Foreign Minister, agreed on the text of the Franco-Soviet agreement, which M. Laval will submit to the Cabinet this morning. It is expected that the agreement will be initiated very soon, perhaps to-morrow. — Reuter.

### DROP OF 109,000 RECORDED DURING THE LAST MONTH

277,000 Improvement  
Since End Of January

DISTRESSED AREAS SHOW  
DECREASES

London, To-day.

The drop of 109,000 in Britain's unemployed last month makes an improvement since the end of January of 277,000.

None of the principal industries shows a decrease, while a substantial increase is recorded in engineering, coal-mining, building, textiles and shipbuilding.

Fifty-four per cent. of the total unemployed have been idle for under three months, 65 per cent. under six months, and 22 per cent. over a twelve month period.

A bright feature is the improvement in the distressed areas like Wales and the North-west, registering decreases of 3,000 and 15,000, respectively. — Reuter.

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### UNEMPLOYMENT IN GERMANY

New Paradise Within  
The Year

Berlin, To-day.

Dr. Robert Ley, the leader of the Labour Front, in a manifesto claims that there will be no unemployment in Germany by the end of the year.

Dr. Ley lays down the workers' obligations in 10 commandments, beginning, "We greet the Leader in the morning and thank him in evening for having given us the will to live and help." — Reuter.

### TESTS OF CHINESE LIQUID EGGS

Clean Bill Of Health  
In England

Official Report Issued

London, to-day.

Official pathologists of the Ministry of Health, after extensive examinations of samples of Chinese liquid eggs, have reported that they are satisfactory from the standpoint of cleanliness and purity and as well within the bacterial standard demanded of Grade A milk. The local forecast for to-day, as issued by the Observatory, this morning was "north-east and east winds, fresh; cloudy; occasional rain."

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### DEFENCE PLANS

CAMOUFLAGE  
SUGGESTED BY  
KILBOURNE

"Intermediate Station  
For Transcontinental  
Flights"

CANADA DEMANDS  
FULL DETAILS

Washington, To-day.

A proposal to establish a powerful air base near the Canadian border was made at a secret meeting of the House of Representatives Military Committee yesterday by General Kilbourne, assistant Chief of Staff in charge of war planes, who suggested that the base might be camouflaged under the name of an "intermediate station for transcontinental flights" in order not to give the impression that the United States no longer believed in the century-old principle that the Canadian border needed no defence.

Mr. Hume Wrong, the Counsellor of the Canadian Legation, requested the State Department to supply him with a complete transcript of General Kilbourne's evidence given before the committee. — Reuter.

### JEALOUSY LEADS TO FATALITY

Man Stabs Girl Then  
Kills Himself

### LOWER LASCAR ROW INCIDENT

Jealousy is said to have been the motive for a serious assault which occurred to-day at 2.15 a.m. in Lower Lascar Row.

A 28-year-old Chinese male, Chau Chung, residing at No. 3 Kwong Yuen Street, attacked a twenty-year-old waitress, Chiao Wai Hing, with a meat knife, stabbing her in the abdomen. The assailant then turned the knife on himself and slashed at his own throat.

Both the victims were removed to the Government Civil Hospital, where the man died at 5 a.m. The girl is stated to be in a critical condition.

### WEATHER REPORT

A moderate anticyclone is centred over north China and is extending southward. Pressure is relatively low over the western part of the China Sea. The depression has "deepened" considerably. It is now situated about 120 miles to the north-east of Tokyo, moving north-east. The local forecast for to-day, as issued by the Observatory, this morning was "north-east and east winds, fresh; cloudy; occasional rain."



## MAIL SCHEDULES

## PARCEL POST

A schedule of revised parcel post rates, including many reductions, is exhibited in the Parcel Office, G.P.O. The rates will take effect as from 1st March, 1935.

Imperial Airways via Singapore  
Bandong-Amsterdam via Singapore  
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Correspondence will be accepted for transmission by these services. Rates and all particulars are shown in the schedules exhibited at the Post Office. All letters etc., must be marked "By Air Mail" and be handed in at a Post Office.

## INWARD MAILS.

## FROM EUROPE

Tung Lee (Air Mail via Marseilles) ..... 30  
Rampura (via Suez) ..... May

## FROM U.S.A.

Pres. Hoover ..... 9

## FROM JAPAN

Bellorophon ..... Apr. 30  
May 3

Jaypore ..... 3  
Ranchi ..... 4  
Africa Maru ..... 5  
Mabourne Maru ..... 6  
Takada ..... 7  
Pres. Hoover ..... 8  
Yasukuni Maru ..... 9

## FROM SHANGHAI

Glenahol ..... Apr. 30  
May 3  
Ranchi ..... 4  
Tallhybus ..... 5  
Patrolun ..... 6  
Pres. Hoover ..... 7  
Yasukuni Maru ..... 8

## FROM MANILA

Emp. of Russia ..... May 1  
Tanda ..... 2  
Tallping ..... 3

## FROM AUSTRALIA

Tanda ..... May 4  
Tallping ..... 5

## FROM INDIA

Tilawa ..... Apr. 30  
May 3

Hosang ..... May 1  
Conic Rosso ..... 4

## OUTWARD MAILS.

## FOR EUROPE

Emp. of Russia (via Vancouver) ..... May 3  
Closes: Reg. 9.15 a.m. Ord. 10 a.m.  
General Pershing (via San Francisco) ..... 3  
Closes: Reg. 4.15 p.m. Ord. 5 p.m.  
Ranchi (via Marseilles) ..... 3  
Closes: Reg. 9.45 a.m. Ord. 10.30 a.m.  
Chenonceaux (via Siberia) ..... 4  
Perthos (Marseilles Air Mail) ..... 0

## FOR MANILA

Tjibadak ..... Apr. 30  
Pres. Cleveland ..... May 3  
Nellere ..... 8  
Pres. McKinley ..... 4

## FOR SHANGHAI

Emp. of Russia ..... May 3  
General Pershing ..... 4  
Conic Rosso ..... 4  
Chenonceaux ..... 4

## FOR JAPAN

Emp. of Russia ..... May 3  
General Pershing ..... 4  
Chenonceaux ..... 4

## FOR U.S.A.

Emp. of Russia ..... May 3  
General Pershing ..... 3

## The Woman's Page

## TIARAS RETURN FOR THE COURTS

## NEW DETACHABLE DESIGNS—USHERS IN TRAINING—A SPRING DANCE

(By Marianne Mayfayre)

London, March 20. The Queen, as the leader of fashion in ceremonial dress, will be interested at the first Court to see what an influence the Jubilee is having on evening modes.

The return of the tiara will add to the brilliance of the Royal Courts. It is not obligatory to wear one, and in past season many women have dispensed with them.

In view of the special importance of this year's social functions, women intend to wear these regal hair ornaments again. Tiaras of old-fashioned design, created for the days when they rested on masses of hair, are being remade in lighter styles for the sleek coiffures of to-day.

How To Wear Them. Since last year women have been buying Tiaras again, I learned from the Court jewellers. This has encouraged the designers to evolve new styles.

The tiara of 1935 is only about an inch deep. Instead of circling the back it is worn upright, halo fashion, from the top of the head to the ears. Often it is little more than a bandeau, and diamonds are the favourite stones.

Detachable tiaras will be the fashion soon. After the Courts women will separate them into a brooch and two bracelets.

Some of the designs are copied from Chinese and Persian carpets and tapestries. Several of the guests at the Palace will appear in the new snake tiaras. These are narrow bandeaux, which curl round the ears in an Eastern snake design.

Green For A Debutante. The 1935 debutantes prefer colours to the traditional white for

their Court gowns. Pale pink and the great range of blues are first favourites. Both colours go well with the silver touches introduced in so many gowns, especially taffeta and moire. Chiffon seems to have given way to lace.

One attractive frock and its train are made of pale green lace slightly stiffened. The very full skirt and short, demure corsage are placed over a green crepe underdress. A green sash outlines the waist, into which is tucked a big bunch of lilies of the valley.

## PRETTY FROCKS MADE FROM TAFFETA AND FINE NET

## Good Supply Essential To Bring Daughter "Out"

A good supply of pretty frocks is essential for a girl. The cost of the necessary number is a problem confronting every mother with a daughter to bring "out."

Taffeta makes lovely frocks; so does fine net. A dance dress of pale blue taffeta checked with silver has double puff elbow-length sleeves, a wide spreading skirt, and a bunch of shaded pink and mauve flowers for decoration.

There is a dress of palest parchment fine net patterned with a shadow design of flowers and mounted on pale pink satin which would make a good Court dress for a girl. So would a dress all of plain creamy tinted net, with several frills giving a billowy look to the skirt.

## CLOTHESLINE PROP

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Your clothes-line prop will not slip and allow the washing to trail on the ground if wire rings or loops are attached at intervals along the line.

These should be permanently attached and spaced about 10 feet apart. The upper end of the prop may be tapered to fit into the rings or a hole may be drilled into the end to receive a headless spike or a length of small iron rod, which is then inserted into the rings.

## REMOVING STAINS ON PIANO KEYS

To remove stains from piano keys rub the keys vigorously with a paste of powdered talc and benzine. Then polish with a silk duster.

## STAINS

Lemon quickly removes any trace of housework from the hands—stains from potato-peeling, etc.



An extremely tailored travel coat of natural coloured camel's hair. The wide shoulder line is modified with trimly styled revers. Glenda Farrell, screen star, correctly attired, is ready to go anywhere.

## SPRING CLEANING

## How To Remove Rust Stains From Mattress

During spring-cleaning it is frequently discovered that a mattress has become badly stained with rust from the wire mattress which supports it. The stains can be removed successfully with salts of lemon. Mix the salts of lemon with a little water and apply fairly thickly to the stains. Leave on for some hours and then apply water to the affected part, taking care to dry thoroughly. If a brush is dipped in olive oil and were mattress and springs lightly gone over no rust marks will appear on the top mattress. The olive oil should be used only sparingly.

## WATER-MARKS ON FROCKS AND BLOUSES

To avoid water-marks on frocks and blouses when they are ironed, care must be taken to see that the fabric is evenly damp. Roll in a towel after passing through the wringer. But do not allow to dry thoroughly, for sprinkling almost inevitably produces patchiness.

## IVORY STATUETTE

## A Simple Cleaning Method

The best way to clean an ivory statuette is to brush it thoroughly with a soft brush to remove all dust from crevices, then brush with a toothbrush dipped in peroxide of hydrogen. Dry on a soft cloth and polish with a silk handkerchief.

## PRACTICAL ENSEMBLE FOR EARLY SPRING

## Charming Frocks And Skirts

A tweed dress and a matching coat are a practical ensemble for early spring wear. One charming example is a smart, short-sleeved little frock, with the top part in a contrasting colour, and a short coat to match. It is a useful and easy-to-wear ensemble.

Another suit which never fails to look smart consists of a check skirt and plain coat. The skirt can be of any coloured check you fancy, and the perfectly tailored coat is of men's suiting to tone, with a collar of the skirt material.

Excellent for wearing under a fur coat is a suit in light-weight woolen material, the collar and cuffs and pockets piped with striped corded silk to match the waistcoat. A "last wordish" suit, thus, just right for a lunch party, for one of those committee meetings which so cleverly turn themselves into elevenses, with lovely coffee and new ideas in sandwiches, or for their afternoon counterparts, "meeting at four, followed by tea."

## INEXPENSIVE LEG MASSAGE

## Whitens And Smooths The Skin

An inexpensive treatment for whitening and smoothing the skin of the legs is to first massage the skin thoroughly with olive oil. Then make a lather of castile soap and warm water; and, using a nail brush, brush the skin briskly in a rotary direction. Rinse, dry thoroughly, and apply some hand lotion or jelly.

## CLEANING FACETED AMBER BEADS

The best way to clean faceted amber beads is to wash them in warm soapy water and dry on a soft cloth. Smear a piece of flannel with a paste of finely precipitated whiting and water, and rub the beads in this between the palms of the hands. Then rub on a soft silk duster.

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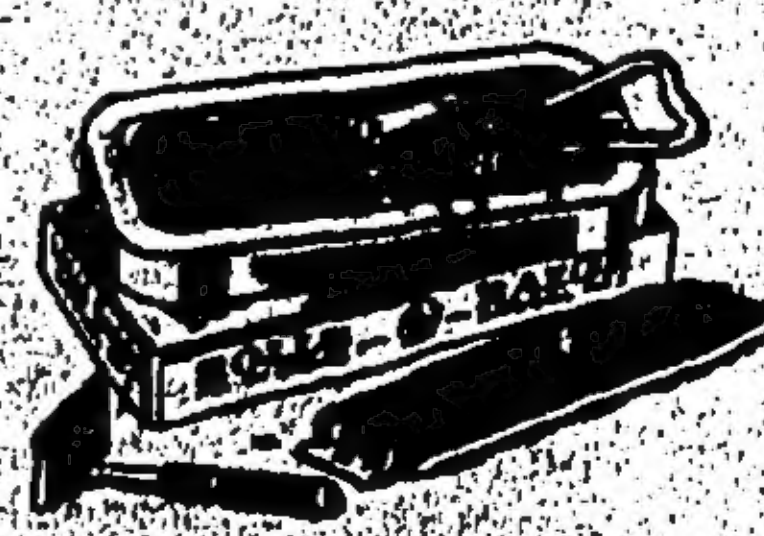
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## BRIDGE NOTES

## New Bridge Laws And Scoring by Ely Culbertson

At midnight on March 30 the new Contract Bridge International Code of Laws and scoring became effective for the 25,000,000 bridge fans throughout the world.

There is an important distinction between the Bridge laws and Bridge systems or methods. Bridge laws comprise definitions, rules and penalties to regulate orderly march of the game; they are the traffic rules of Bridge, flashing red and green signals. When the unhappy player parks his cards on the wrong side of the table or fails to follow suit, he gets a ticket.

Code Likely To Stand. Bridge systems tell how to bid or play the hand, which is not the province of the laws so long as the players have no private understandings.

The new International Code is put out jointly by the official bodies of France, Great Britain and the United States. Other countries are thoroughly consulted.

Among the immense cast are Lionel Barrymore, W. C. Fields, Jessie Ralph, Elizabeth Allan, Madge Evans, Lewis Stone, Basil Rathbone, Hugh Williams and Herbert Mundia. George Cukor directed.

## Scoring Changes

The most vital changes in the laws are, of course, in scoring. The huge grand slam premium, the juggernaut that has crushed so many faithful bridge players, has been abolished. The old premium of 1,000 or 1,500 as used in Duplicate will be used in rubber bridge.

The notrump trick count has been simplified. The first trick counts 40 points; all subsequent tricks count 30 each.

The old undertrick penalties were so complicated that at times I have thought of publishing a book of logarithms for the special use of Bridge players. They have been somewhat simplified, although not to the extent that I personally favour.

The new penalties are: Not vulnerable, undoubled, 50 per trick as at present. Not vulnerable, doubled, 100 for the first trick and 200 for every other trick. Vulnerable, undoubled, 100 for each trick. For vulnerable, doubled, the first trick is 200, and each later trick is 300. All redoubles simply double the values for doubled undertricks. This is a welcome all-around reduction of the vulnerable penalties by about 40 per cent.

## Dummy's Privileges

American players, especially, will be happy to learn Dummy is somewhat restored to his place in the sun. Under the old laws the oppressed Dummy was compelled to suffer in silence while his busy partner overlooked revoques and other irregularities. The American principle has always been to allow Dummy to protect the legal rights he shares with his partner. The English idea has been to make him a real dummy, ornamental but useless. But the English have yielded to us on this point, and Dummy may now call attention to any irregularity, though of course he may not suggest a penalty nor assist declarer in the play of the hand.

Another point on which the English and the French have yielded to the American view is the propriety of bidding conventions. The new laws contain a special provision exempting conventional bids from the ban, except in cases of private agreements between partners.

## Ethics Of The Game

The new code, by the way, goes very thoroughly into the matter of "Proprieties" and "Ethics." In connection with every department of the game there is a list of unethical or indecorous acts to be avoided, as well as sensible recommendations as to correct and considerate behaviour.

The least understood law of the old code is that entitled "Hands not played out." For years players were accustomed to answer any claim with the request: "Play out the hand."

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## Amusements

## Cinema Notes

## "DAVID COPPERFIELD"—QUEEN'S THEATRE

Dickens lovers will be flocking to the Queen's Theatre to-day, where "David Copperfield" one of the greatest stories ever written, and equally great on the screen, will be showing.

Never before has such a magnificent cast been assembled. The youthful David is beautifully acted by Freddie Bartholomew, and David, "grown up" by the inimitable Frank Lawton. The most unusual feature of the film is the casting of that firmly established humourist, Roland Young, as the hand-rubbing Uriah Heep.

Edna Mae Oliver will win many more admirers with her portrayal of the terrifying but lovable "Auntie."

It is indeed a tribute to the actors and the director that they have succeeded in the difficult task of keeping the true Dickens atmosphere throughout.

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## "MUSIC IN THE AIR"—KING'S THEATRE

Loyal "fans" of Gloria Swanson will have an opportunity of seeing her in her first picture for many years, "Music In The Air," now showing at the King's Theatre.

There are many splendid and authentic scenes of life in Bavaria; most of the costumes worn were actually brought to America for the film. Miss June Lang and Douglass Montgomery are attractive young lovers, and John Boles and Gloria Swanson are well casted in their respective roles.

Miss Swanson takes the part of a bored actress and Boles is seen as an eccentric and temperamental playwright. Music is the high light of the picture and was written by the famous Jerome Kern. Oscar Hammerstein's combination.

## "A CUCKOO IN THE NEST"—STAR THEATRE

"A Cuckoo in the Nest" by Ben Travers proved one of the most successful of the Aldwych farces. The scenes are changeable and move from town to country along a humorous road literally strewn with laughs.

The story tells of the embarrassing situations that arise when a man and a woman are forced to share the same bedroom in a country inn. An unfamiliar, almost unrecognisable Tom Walls is to be seen in the make-up of a middle-aged toper.

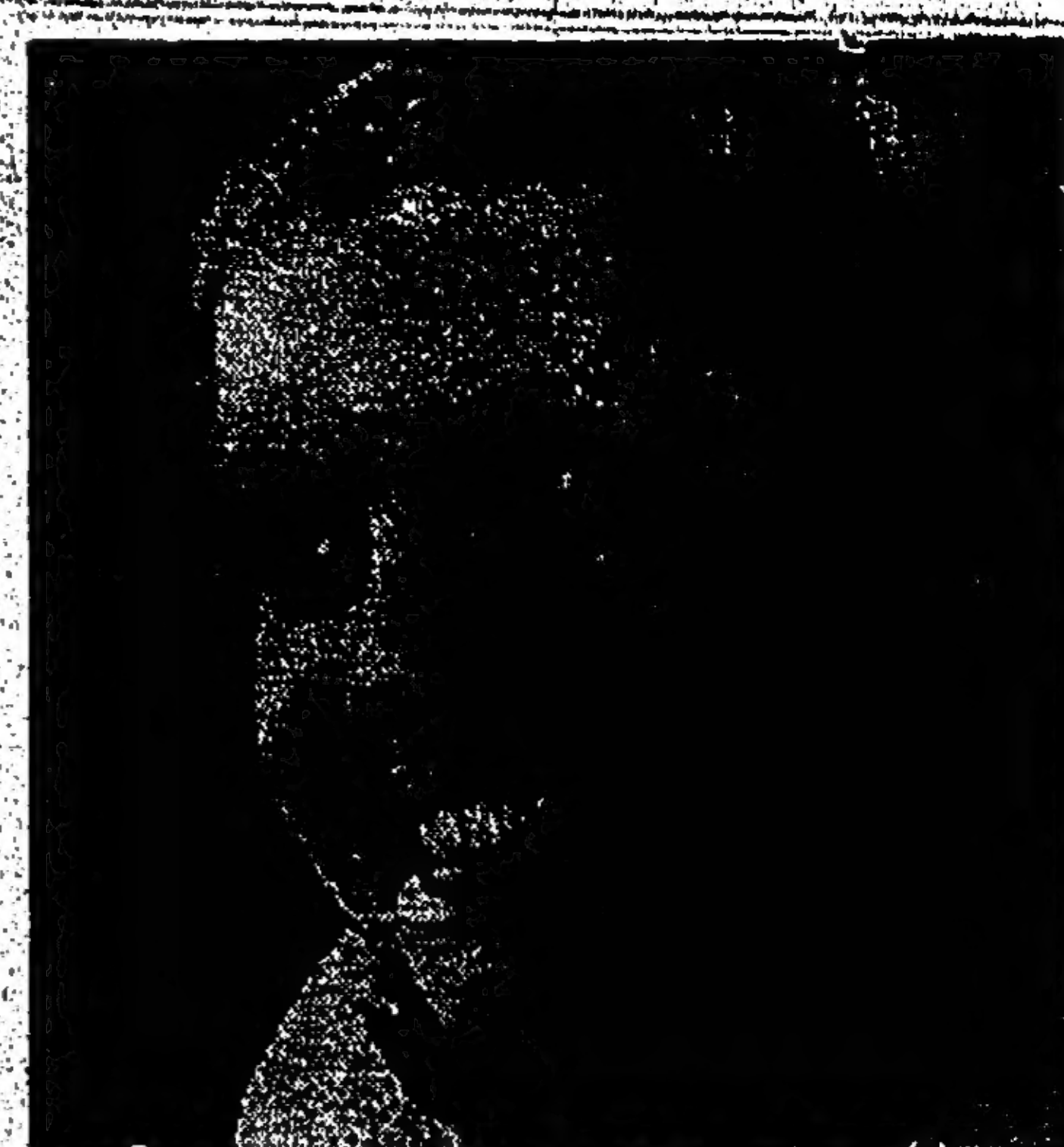
Ralph Lynn is seen in the part of Peter, an adept at "footling" through the most tricky situations. Yvonne Arnaud plays an important role as a charming woman who causes Peter to miss a train, on which his pretty wife is travelling.

## "CHAINED"—MAJESTIC THEATRE

Four noted screen players, Clark Gable, Joan Crawford, Otto Kruger, and Stuart Erwin come to the Majestic Theatre in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's romantic drama, "Chained."

Written especially for the screen and for the co-stars, as is the present trend, by Edgar Selwyn, noted director and producer, the film story picks up the life thread of a wealthy shipping magnate, Otto Kruger, and the girl with whom he is enamoured, Joan Crawford.

With no break in either physical or dramatic movement, it sweeps from skyscraper to shipboard, where Joan meets and later falls in love with a young South American rancher, Clark Gable, who is returning with his friend, Stuart Erwin, from a vacation in the States.



Beautiful Anita Louise is now appearing at the Alhambra Theatre in "The Firebird," Warner Bros. dramatic hit.

## "MENACE"—CENTRAL THEATRE

A murder mystery, that creates a sinister foreboding of doom and builds suspense with chilling effect, is the new Paramount picture, "Menace," which opens to-day at the Central Theatre.

It tells the unusual story of three people, two men of the world and a beautiful woman, who, through an unfortunate circumstance, are wrongly suspected of killing a well-known engineer. Although they are cleared of any suspicion, the dead man's brother, tortured by doubts and suspicions, becomes insane and vows to kill the three people he believed caused his brother's death.

Paul Cavanaugh and Gertrude Michael are excellently cast as young lovers who are forced into a terrifying situation by the madman, while Henrietta Grossman, Montagu Love and John Lodge, are effective in supporting roles.

## "THE FIREBIRD"—ALHAMBRA THEATRE

This picture, which is based on the play by Lajos Zilagy, carries one of the most novel and unusual romances, as well as being a powerful emotional drama. The theme evolves round the strange and fatal fascination of a popular, but unscrupulous actor, over a young and beautiful girl.

The idea is to draw a parallel between the characteristics of the girl and those of a firebird, which is drawn irrevocably to the fire in order to bask in the glow of the flames. Ricardo Cortez plays the role of the actor in his usual easy and polished way, Anita Louise is the firebird and Verree Teasdale is her mother. Lionel Atwill has very little to do, but he does it well.

## "CIRCUS CLOWN"—ORIENTAL THEATRE

"Circus Clown," Joe Brown's best vehicle to date, is the attraction at the Oriental to-day. No double was needed to take the actual circus shots, as Joe's first love was the circus. He certainly has not forgotten how to swing.

Besides the many clever tricks demonstrated in this picture, some of which will be familiar to circus patrons, there is a plot running through the picture which gives Joe his opportunities to cause plenty of laughs.

## ITALIAN CHILDREN X-RAYED

From April 7 to last Sunday 300,000 children were x-rayed; and treated at the cost of the Italian Anti-Tuberculosis Federation.

## SIR WM. PEEL FUND

## Subscriptions Now Total \$15,491

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## COLONIAL FOREST RESOURCES

An organisation for the development of Colonial forest resources has been set up under the Colonial Office in London.

## RENO AS MARRIAGE CENTRE

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## Radio

## TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station H.K.W. on a wave length of 885 metres (845 K.C.S.).

Dance Music from Peninsula Hotel. Top Studio Talks.

12.30-2.10 p.m. (Approx.)—European Programme

12.30 p.m.—Recorded Music.

1 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.

1.30 p.m.—Rover Press Bulletin.

Rugby Press News, etc.

1.55 p.m. (Approx.)—A Relay of the Rotary Club Tiffin Speech from the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden—Professor L. Forster on "James Yen and his Work for Education."

2.10 p.m. (Approx.)—Class Down.

4.17 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

7.11 p.m.—European Programme.

7 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.03-7.30 p.m.—Light Orchestral Music.

With a Song in my heart—Symphonic Rhapsody (Eric Coates) A Musical Buff Box (Lindsay)

Tanghale Melodies

7.50-7.45 p.m.—A Piano Solo Recital by Vladimir Norovitch.

1. Trauenerwachen (Dressen Violon).

Op. 12, No. 7 (Schumann).

2. Masurka in E Minor, Op. 41, No. 2 (Chopin).

3. Serenade for the Doll-Children's Corner Suite (Debussy).

4. Paganini Etude in E Flat Major (Paganini).

5. 7.45-8 p.m.—Vocal Gens Musical Comedy.

Music in the Air (Kern)

The Cat and the Fiddle (Kern)

8.03-8.15 p.m.—From the Studio.

"Behind the Scenes in Broadcasting" by a Visitor.

8.15-9 p.m.—Variety.

Piano Solos.

A Cavalcade of Martial Times

Sweetheart-Joe, the Candy Man

Patricia Rossborough.

Song.

Love's Last Word is spoken

Orchestra.

Organ Solos.

Medley of Old Songs

Wedding of the Painted Doll

Leslie James

Songs—Give me a Ring

I only want one boy

A Couple of Fools in Love

Margaret Bannerman (Soprano)

Orchestra.

Nippon

Vocal.

1934th

A Million Dreams

The Ponce Sisters.

Just an Echo in the Valley

Chick Edder and Charlie Farrell





# Sporting Page



## FOOTBALL LEAGUE UNANIMOUS IN FAVOUR OF TWO REFEREES

### CAMBRIDGE TRIUMPH OVER DARK BLUES

#### DISAPPOINTING FIGHT BY OXFORD

#### BOAT RACE LOST FROM FIRST STROKE

(By G. C. Drinkwater)

London, April 8.

**A**NOTHER Cambridge victory—the 12th in succession—in the Boat Race! Oxford, beaten by 4½ lengths, in 19min. 48sec., put up a very disappointing fight. It had been said by almost every critic that, with the weather conditions that prevailed, the winning of the toss meant the winning of the race.

Cambridge won the toss, and from that moment Oxford gave up all hope, and were a beaten crew even when they were at the stake-boat while Capt. R. C. Bourne was instructing them on the methods he proposed to use in starting.

From the start Oxford appeared to have accepted defeat as the natural course of events and never put up a fight at all. Sutcliffe went off at 32—a pitiable effort which can never be dignified with the term "a racing stroke."

Cambridge, splendidly led by Laurie all over the course, went off at 37, and by the end of their first stroke had made victory certain.

**Cambridge Not Unbeatable**  
Oxford had a chance which is not likely to come their way again for some time of ending their long series of defeats. They were a promising crew.

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#### OXFORD

R. Hope (Eton and New College), bow	12
D. M. de R. Winsor (Winchester and Corpus Christi)	11
E. E. D. Tomlin (Whitgift and University)	12
P. R. S. Banks (Oundle and Christ Church)	14
D. R. R. Myrnes (Eton and New College)	13
J. M. Coughman (Shrewsbury and Christ Church)	12
E. J. Scortino (Shrewsbury and University)	12
A. V. Sutcliffe (Shrewsbury and Trinity), str.	14
C. G. F. Bryan (Eton and Worcester)	7

#### CAMBRIDGE

T. R. M. Bristolow (Dulwich and Pembroke), bow	12
E. A. Szilagyi (St. Paul's and Jesus)	12
A. D. Kingsford (Uppingham and Pembroke)	12
J. H. C. Powell (Eton and Third Trinity)	12
D. G. Kingsford (Uppingham and Pembroke)	13
M. P. Lomas (Westminster and Third Trinity)	12
J. B. T. Wilson (Shrewsbury and Pembroke)	12
W. U. R. M. Laurie (Monkton Combe and Selwyn), stroke	13
J. N. Duckworth (Lincoln and Jesus), cox	7

### HOLLYWOOD AND THE SANTA ANITA H'CAP REACTIONS

#### JACK OAKIE WEARS A RED BEARD

#### MAE WEST PLAYS LADYSMAN AND EQUIPOSE

Constance Bennett bet \$5. Jack Oakie was made up in a red beard. Baby Keeler went on crutches. Baby Hay Whitney sat in the Donald Ogden Stewart box. Bing Crosby chased Mrs. William S. Hart when it blew off in a gust of wind. When the horses went to the post for the 117th Santa Anita Handicap, Equipoise was favourite at odds of 5-1.

A slow-witted policeman collared William Gladstone Stanley, thinking he was a thief. Publisher William Randolph Hearst sat in a box with his four sons.

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### RANGER'S EXCLUSIVE FORECAST

#### DERBY'S VISIT TO Highbury

#### Concluding Fixtures

FIRST DIVISION	
ARSENAL (1) v Derby (10)	
BIRMINGHAM (2) v Everton (2)	
BLACKBURN (2) v Aston Villa (1)	
LEEDS (10) v Tottenham (10)	
LIVERPOOL (1) v Sunderland (1)	
MANTON (2) v Wolves (10)	
Middlesbrough (2) v Chelsea (2)	
PORTSMOUTH (3) v LEICESTER (6)	
WEDDAY (3) v Grimsby (3)	
STOKE (3) v Huddersfield (10)	
W. BROM. (3) v Preston (3)	
SECOND DIVISION	
Blackpool (1) v BOLTON (1)	
BRADFORD (2) v Port Vale (2)	
BRENTFORD (2) v Sheffield U. (3)	
BURY (1) v Southampton (10)	
FULHAM (3) v Burnley (3)	
HULL (10) v Notts C. (1)	
NORWICH (3) v Swans (3)	
NORWICH (3) v Burnley (3)	
NOTTS F. (3) v Bradford C. (2)	
PLYMOUTH (4) v Manchester U. (10)	
W. HAM. (1) v Oldham (4)	
THIRD DIVISION (North)	
Barnsley (2) v ACCRINGTON (3)	
CARLISLE (2) v Darlington (3)	
CHESTER (1) v Stockport (10)	
HALIFAX (10) v DONCASTER (1)	
LINCOLN (3) v New Brighton (3)	
MANCHESTER (1) v Gateshead (1)	
ROCHDALE (4) v Huddersfield (2)	
ROCHDALE (4) v YORK C. (3)	
TRANMERE (6) v Chester (1)	
WALSALL (6) v Crewe (1)	
WREXHAM (2) v Southport (1)	
THIRD DIVISION (South)	
BOURNEMOUTH (3) v Queen's P. R. (2)	
BRISTOL C. (3) v Cardiff (10)	
CLIFTON (6) v SOUTHEND (2)	
COVENTRY (2) v Luton (2)	
EXETER (10) v Aldershot (10)	
GILLINGHAM (8) v BRISTOL (2)	
WILLOW (1) v Brighton (2)	
NEWPORT (1) v Swindon (2)	
N'AMPTON (4) v Crystal P. (2)	
READING (1) v Charlton (10)	
WATFORD (5) v Torquay (10)	

[Figures in brackets denote result of corresponding game last season, and team in capital letters are favoured to win. All teams mentioned first are playing at home.]

### New Zealand Seeking Rugby Team For England

Wellington (N.Z.), April 8.—New Zealand are preparing for the Rugby tour of Great Britain this year in a "fashionable" fashion, and a dozen first-class matches have already been arranged.

The most difficult task confronting the selectors, judging by last season's play, is to find a back division equal to the established All Black standard. The three-quarter team were the chief weakness last

Will Jimmy Fox, Lou Gehrig, Babe Ruth (left to right) and P. Wener (inset) again be the nightmare quartet to pitchers? They have led their leagues in one or another branch of fence busting. Gehrig topped the American Baseball League swatters last year, while P. Wener held the same honour in the National. Fox and Ruth have also headed the home-run parade. Can these men hold their own this year against the promising crop of rookie slugers coming up to compete with them?



## BIG FUTURE FOR INDOOR ATHLETICS?

### FRED PERRY IN HOLLYWOOD CAFE BRAWL

#### CHAMPION'S TALE OF MISSED BLOW

#### SAYS BOXER TRIED TO HIT HIM

Hollywood, Apr. 8. Fred Perry, the British tennis champion, and Joe Benjamin, a boxer and former husband of the actress, Marion Nixon, were involved in a scene in a cafe early today.

Joe Benjamin, it is said, struck at Fred Perry, but the British champion declares that he missed him. Perry said afterwards: "He threw a cigarette at me and attempted to hit me. I refrained from striking back. I turned my back on the fellow, who was unknown to me, and left the cafe."

Benjamin later explained that he struck at Perry when the latter approached his table at which the actresses, Mona Rico and Renee Torres, were seated.

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### MARCEL THI'S WORLD TITLE FIGHT OFF

Paris, April 8.—To-night's world middle-weight title fight between the holder, Marcel Thi, and Vilda Jaks, of Czechoslovakia, has had to be called off because of an injury to Thi's left hand.

### WEMBLEY MEETING AT EMPIRE POOL A HUGE SUCCESS

#### COMPETITORS NOT AT EASE

#### DUNCAN'S FINE SPRINT

(By BEVIL RUDD)

London, April 8.

After watching the first indoor championships at the Empire Pool and Sports Arena at Wembley I have no hesitation in prophesying a great future for this particular form of athletics.

Not only will a continuance of such meetings provide much-needed competition for our leading athletes in the off-season, but field events should at last receive popular recognition.

On Saturday each jump, each put and each vault was subjected to the careful scrutiny of the appreciative crowd watching from its comfortable and commanding vantage points.

#### To Rival American Arena

It remains to be seen whether the authorities will adapt the arena to rival American indoor tracks. The space is there to allow the construction of a wooden track of 10 or 11 laps to the mile for longer races. The hard boards used on Saturday can subsequently give place to the softer pine wood, thereby enabling the athletes to use the necessary short spikes to prevent slipping.

Some of the performers did slip, notably E. Bradbrooke, in the high jump, and R. L. Howland, in the weight-putting, and many others had possibility of slipping ever present in their mind. Only rubber soles were permitted.

#### Varsity Athletics Shine

The Oxford and Cambridge athletes, tuned up by their recent contests, made the most of their opportunities. E. S. Duncan, the Oxford president, confident and sure-footed, sped away in the 70-yard sprint from such reliable performers as W. Rangleley and E. L. Page.

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### FREE-FOR-ALL FIGHT FEATURES BASEBALL CLASH

#### Detroit Tigers Play Like Champions

#### SCORE 18 RUNS WHILE BRIDGES BLANKS BROWNS

New York, To-day.

A sensation, the second within a week, was caused in baseball circles yesterday when a free-for-all fight developed in the fifth innings of the National League baseball clash between Pittsburgh and Chicago, when Lavagetto, of the Pirates, tangled his feet with E. Jurgens, of the Cubs.

Both rose swinging their fists and others joined in. The originators of the fracas were banished.

The Cardinals, last year's world champions, improved their position in the league table with a clear cut victory over the Reds, while the Braves secured their fifth win in 14 encounters by beating the Athletics.

The New York Yankees improved their position in the American League when Lefty Gomez blanked the Senators for the New York Yankees.

#### WELSH UNION AND JUBILEE FUND

The Welsh Union have extended the Rugby season from to-morrow to May 4, for the playing of ordinary matches, and from May 4 to May 11, when all matches played must be for the benefit of the King George Jubilee Trust Fund, organized by H.R.H. the Prince of Wales.

### Scottish F.A. Out To Provide Ground For 200,000 Next Time

London, Apr. 8. Following the extraordinary incident at Hampden Park, Glasgow on Saturday, when 50,000 were locked out of the ground, the Scottish Football Association is understood to be taking immediate steps to secure a ground capable of accommodating 200,000 for future international occasions.

## RECOMMENDATION TO THE CLUBS

### CURIOUS KNEE INJURY OF BASTIN

#### WALKER NOW A £200,000 PLAYER

(By Frank M. Carruthers)

London, April 8.

**I** AM able to announce that the management committee of the Football League have unanimously approved the introduction of a second referee and that they enthusiastically commend the clubs to adopt the arrangement.

The official statement bearing on the question does not go as far as that, but it is the position. Mr. John McKenna, the president of the League, did not express his views owing to the fact that he is a member of the International Board, who will have to give the final decision.

Mr. C. E. Sutcliffe was, unfortunately, unable to attend the match with Scotland owing to illness, but I believe that he, too, is in favour of the scheme.

This is the most vital pronouncement by the most responsible and influential officials in the game, and it is full justification for the belief which I have expressed that the new system of controlling matches will be introduced into the League next season.

#### Matter Complicated

The matter is a little complicated. It is now too late to make a definite proposal to the International Board, who are responsible for the rules of the game, but if the English clubs agree I believe the intention is to ask the board to allow the system to be put on trial during next season. This was the course adopted in regard to the experiments carried out at Chester and West Bromwich, and there can be no objection to an extension of the arrangement.

Neither the League Management Committee nor the clubs are satisfied with refereeing at the present time. They are concerned, too, that the play is losing much of its appeal as a spectacle through the introduction of methods which make for the negation of the game, and which referees seem powerless to check.

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### BROOKLANDS RECORD BROKEN

#### ONE LAP IN 103.54 MILES AN HOUR

#### MOTOR CYCLE DEAD HEAT AT 100 M.P.H.

London, Apr. 8. There were nearly 800 competitors in the various races held by the British Motor Cycle Racing Club at Brooklands.

In a one-lap sprint handicap, E. C. Fernthorpe beat the standing start record for the outer circuit at 103.54 miles an hour.

There was a thrilling finish by J. M. West and Fernthorpe, who almost dead-heated at over 100 miles an hour. West, who had a start of 15sec, passed the lines less than a wheel ahead of Fernthorpe. The fast winner among the clubmen was F. J. Williams, who, in a field of over forty, was successful in a two-lap scratch race at 86.77 m.p.h.

#### K.C.C. BOWLS RINKS

The following will represent the Kowloon Cricket Club in their junior league lawn bowls match against the Hong Kong Football Club on the K.C.C. green next Saturday.

W. Mulcahy, L. Jack, J. P. Robinson, and H. Overly (skip). T. Carr, W. J. Houghton, W. Hyde, and H. Hampton (skip). M. N. Bakusen, W. W. Hurst, L. E. Lammert, and C. J. Tatch (skip).











## Empire Tributes To The King

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dazzling set pieces of light in every tint, will give the world's greatest city an air of carnival. The reviews and other functions have been conceived on a vast scale. The march past of 26,000 troops at Aldershot will alone take two hours, and at the Air Force Review there will not only be a fly past of every type of machine, but there will also be stunt flying by no less than 400 aeroplanes. The review of the fleet at Spithead will be an imposing spectacle, every type of ship in the Navy being represented.

On Jubilee Day itself units of the Home Fleet will steam up the Thames to the Pool of London to thunder out their salute to the King-Emperor, and at nightfall their searchlights will play over the City and its bridges.

In The Provinces. Practically every town in the Kingdom is doing its bit towards the celebrations, and local authorities far and wide are exercising themselves with the arrangement of fetes, carnivals and other ceremonies.

Edinburgh will entertain the Duke and Duchess of York, and 18,000 school children will send loyal messages to the King by carrier pigeon. Cardiff will be welcoming the Prince of Wales on a national scale, which will include a children's singing festival, a review of Welsh soldiers, and a pageant of Welsh industry.

Ox-roastings will be general throughout the country, and there will be regattas, sports meetings, races and dancing all over the land.

More spectacular will be the Silver Jubilee Tattoo to be held at Aldershot. Its underlying theme will be the history of the British Crown, and there will be eight performances. The number of massed bands will be a pageant entitled "Long Live The King," and the Kings and their retinues, from Henry I to the House of Windsor, will pass in stately procession.

Poor Not Forgotten. But in all the celebrations the poor will not be forgotten. Funds are being raised for children's playgrounds, many charity balls are being organized, at which it is estimated that Londoners will spend over £20,000, and many public institutions have voted sums of money to provide poor children with free meals and free clothes.

Purely commercial concerns are not failing to pay their respects to the King. Five hundred miles of medal ribbon will decorate the interior of the Albert Hall on May 9 when the Empire Officers' (1914-1918) Guild meets for its demonstration of loyalty. The Guild was established last year, in order to help the 30,000 men who held commissions during the war and are now workless. The ribbon was left over from the supply used for the war time medals. The Guild's demonstration will be addressed by the Admiral of the Fleet, Earl Beatty, and the band of the Coldstream Guards will play and lead community singing.

Radio And Film. A sound-picture of the Thanksgiving Service at St. Paul's and the broadcasting of two speeches by the King—one from Buckingham Palace on Accession Day and the other on May 9, when he receives a loyal address from the Lords and Commons—are included in the B.B.C.'s arrangements for Jubilee Week.

On May 6 the route of the procession from Temple Bar to St. Paul's will be wired, so that the voice of London will be able to speak for itself. The Thanksgiving Service will be broadcast in its entirety. Subsequently, the King will address the people of the Empire from a room in Buckingham Palace, the microphone installation being similar to that adopted for the Christmas Day broadcast from Sandringham. It will be the King's sixteenth broadcast, the first having taken place in April 1924.

"The King, God Bless Him," the Silver Jubilee film, will be released for every cinema of the Empire and throughout the whole of the English-speaking world on May 6. It will also probably be shown simultaneously in many other foreign countries.

According to telegrams received, all parts of the Empire overseas are vying with one another in their efforts to make the celebration of the King's Silver Jubilee a real Jubilee event.—Reuter.

## CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE COMPANY MEETING

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and comprise reductions in staff and staff salaries, as well as the closure of one of the least remunerative of our godown properties at Kennedy Town; and it must be remembered that as these savings were only made effective during the latter half of the year, the full benefit will not be obtained until the current year.

"Before dealing with the Balance Sheet, Gentlemen, I wish to mention that your Directors, appreciating the necessity which prevails for reducing expenditure to the utmost have voluntarily agreed to a reduction of their fees for the past year, by the sum of \$3,900.00; and the figure shown in the Profit and Loss Account, namely \$4,541.10, consists of this amount plus a further \$641.10, being fees returned by Sir Robert Ho Tung in respect of the year 1933, during the greater part of which he was absent from the Colony.

Enforced Sacrifices. "Your Board feels, however, that the duties and responsibilities attaching to the conduct of the Company during times such as we are now experiencing, are in no way less arduous or important than in good times; but rather the contrary conditions obtain; and they desire the concession to be considered as a share of the sacrifices which all those concerned with the Company have been called upon to make.

"You will note, on reference to the General Reserve Account, that the dispositions of this account have been made in accordance with the agreement reached at the last annual meeting; and it will be seen that Furniture and Equipment Account has now been depreciated to a nominal sum of \$1,000.

"Reference to the Balance Sheet shows that our Property Account has been reduced by the sum of \$18,503.23 which represents the net book value of the Pier adjoining M. L. 246, and which, as noted in the schedule on the reverse side of the accounts, has been demolished. Contingency Reserve Account has received a debit of \$57,649.07 which represents Claims, Loan and Storages accumulated, which, owing to unforeseen circumstances, it has been found impossible to recover. This figure arose in the ordinary course of trading, and constitutes a loss of the type and for the purpose of which this Contingency Reserve Account was originally created. It is extremely unfortunate that while the cause could hardly have been prevented, the recovery was frustrated by the sudden bankruptcy of the Company concerned.

Overdraft Reduced. "Overdraft at Bank which stood at \$385,000 on the date of the accounts has since been reduced to \$321,000.00. Under 'Assets' it will be noted that Loans outstanding as at December 31, 1934 totalled \$59,091.32, and in this case too, the amount then involved has been reduced to approximately \$4,000 to-day.

"The Company's Motor Transport Service has continued to show good earnings and a most satisfactory net profit on the small amount of capital involved. The increasing popularity of this Service has been of substantial assistance to our Shipping and Godown sections, and a continued development of this branch of the business is confidently anticipated.

"I do not think that there are any other items in the accounts which call for special comment by me, and I will therefore close by making the formal proposal:— That the Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1934 as presented be adopted; and that the sum of \$68,622.78 be carried forward to the credit of 1935 account.

On the proposal of Mr. C. A. da Rosa, seconded by Mr. J. Tam Hung, the report and accounts were adopted.

Officials Re-elected. Offering themselves for re-election Messrs. N. V. A. Croucher and P. M. Hodgson were both re-elected to the Board of directors at the proposal of Mr. H. J. M. de Figuredo, seconded by Mr. D. L. King. On the proposal of Mr. Roza and seconded by Mr. T. B. Wilson, the Company's auditors, Messrs. Linstead and Davis, and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming were re-elected for the ensuing year.

## New York Stock Market

### COMMODITY PRICES

The following quotations have been received by Reuter.

	Apr. 28.	Apr. 29.
Closing	Closing	
New York Cotton:		
May	11.85	11.79
July	11.80	11.82
October	11.41	11.37
December	11.47	11.42
Jan. (1936)	11.49	11.46
March	11.67	11.53
Spot	12.25	12.20

New York Rubber:		
May	11.05	11.02
July	11.78	11.79
September	11.92	11.90
October	11.98	11.97
December	12.12	12.11
January	12.18	12.13

Chicago Wheat:		
May	99 1/2	99 1/2
July	99 1/2	99 1/2
September	99 1/2	100 1/4

Chicago Corn:		
May	89 1/4	89 1/4
July	84	85
September	79 1/4	80 1/4

Winnipeg Wheat:		
May	88 1/2	88 1/2
July	89 1/2	90

New York Sugar:		
No. 1 No. 3	No. 1 No. 3	
Con. Con.	Con. Con.	
May	2.34	2.33
July	2.40	2.39
Sept.	2.46	2.44
Dec.	2.54	2.53
Jan. (1936)	2.60	2.58

New York Silk:		
May	1.34	1.33
July	1.34	1.32 1/2
September	1.32 1/2	1.32

Montreal Silver:		
May	77.35	76.10
July	76.00	77.15
September	76.50	77.90
December	80.25	79.00

New York Metals:		
Copper Jan.	7.02	6.90
Tin Jan.	48.45	48.60

## SHANGHAI STOCK EXCHANGE

### Trade Dull During Entire Week

### GOVERNMENT BONDS WEAKEN BUT RECOVER SLIGHTLY

#### A.O.F.C. Comment

Shanghai, April 23. With the exception of three minor unofficial transactions there was practically nothing doing on the Shanghai Stock Exchange on Tuesday. The largest transaction consisted of 103,000 Shanghai Power per cent debentures at 82 for cash. On the next day there was only one transaction on the Exchange, unofficial exchange of \$500 Ewo Mills at \$350 cash.

There was a little improvement seen on Thursday when somewhat more business was transacted, particularly in debentures, but the day's turnover was only 58 shares and 681 bonds.

Government Bonds. Quietness characterised the Chinese Government Bond Market during the last week, with a total turnover of 48,000,000. The general trend was rather bearish and although occasionally firmness was evidenced, most issues suffered net losses at the close of the week.

The few issues that were able to advance registered only modest gains. 96 millions declined steadily to record net losses of .65 and .70; its weakness being due to rumours of its withdrawal of trading on the Exchange.

Weakness At Opening. The market opened with small losses for most issues, which increased on the next day with a maximum drop of more than half a point.

A good reaction was noticed on Wednesday at the close. In the course of which much of the losses sustained were made good. During the following two days fluctuations were meaningless and only little changes could be noted.

On Saturday the market was again steady; the gains, however, were indifferent and insufficient to bring about a rally in prices.

### HIS BITE IS WORSE

Mr. E. Duplock, a blacksmith of Biddenden, Kent, broke his second set of false teeth 12 years ago, so he decided to make his own. He made them of aluminium.

He has used them ever since.

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"Flash: Mill activity is estimated at 43.1 per cent. of capacity against 44.6 per cent. the previous week."

E. A. Pierce and Co's Report. In their market report, the American Oriental Finance Corporation, correspondents for Messrs. E. A. Pierce and Company of New York state:—

Stocks.—The market waited all day for the Supreme Court's decision on the Railroad Pension case, which was not handed down up to the close of business. The Court is still in session.

Rubber.—Heavy liquidation of May rubber was well taken by dealers, while Commission houses were good buyers of December and March options. The labour situation is still an adverse influence. Factories were small buyers in the outside market.

Sugar.—Traders were surprised by the 15 point advance in refined prices to 5.25 cents. There is now general further activity in raws, but the price situation remains unchanged. The tone of the market is firm.

Cotton.—The market was quiet and featureless. Sentiment was mixed. The domestic trade was small.

Grains.—There was a good support for wheat on setbacks, particularly distant futures. Rains in Central Kansas, unresponsive cables from abroad and the weakness of silver had but little influence on the market. In corn, distant months presented a firm undertone with a narrowing of the premium to under May prices. Decreases in the visible supply of wheat and corn are in line with expectations.

Flash.—Mill activity is estimated at 43.1 per cent. of capacity, compared with 44.6 per cent. the previous week.

Fischer's Weekly Commodity index was 81.8, against 81.5 last week.

Messrs. E. A. Pierce and Company's report on the opening of the markets: The Moody Investment Service expects a cautious phase in the market shortly, reflecting the seasonal declining tendency in business.

Standard Statistics sees no basis for any further substantial rise under the restraining influence of Business and political forces.

The opening of Wall Street was mixed. Trading was very light, with the trend slightly lower. In cotton, there was further covering by near shorts, but supply was more liberal. We would rather sell on bulges.

### Latest Quotations

The following quotations have been received by Reuter.

	Prev.	To-day's
	close	close
N.Y./London	4.83 1/4	4.84 1/2
N.Y. Cotton—July	11.88	11.82
N.Y. Rubber—July	11.78	11.70
Chicago Wheat—May	99 1/2	99 1/2
Chicago Corn—May	89 1/4	89 1/4
Montreal Silver—May	77.35	76.10
Silver Official	76 1/2	75 1/2

Apr. 27 close	Change
30 Industrials	109.68 109.91
20 Rails	31.30 30.90
20 Utilities	18.29 18.60
40 Bonds	95.18 95.17
11 Commodity	59.53 59.80
Index	27 up

10 Leading Stocks	44 1/2
Amer. Smelting	20
Albion	20
J. I. Case	56 1/2
Elco Bond & Share	6 1/2
General Motors	30 1/2
Int. Tel. & Tel.	7 1/2
Montgomery Ward	24
Nat. Distillers	25
N.Y. Central	10 1/2
U.S. Steel	35

Business Done:—690,000 shares.

### BRITISH UNEMPLOYMENT

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DETAILED STATISTICS. London, To-day.—A big increase in the number of persons in employment and a corresponding diminution in the number out of work is shown in the monthly report of the Ministry of Labour.

It is estimated that at April 15 there were approximately 10,320,000 insured persons aged 16-64 in employment, the highest for over the 14 years for which comparable figures are available. The total was 120,000 more than at March 25 and 175,000 more than a year ago.

The number of unemployed persons on the registers of the Employment Exchanges on April 15 totalled 2,044,460. This was 108,410 less than the number on the registers at March 25 and 108,760 less than the year before.

## CAMBRIDGE TRIUMPH OVER DARK BLUES

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Cambridge were by no means unbeatable. The very fact that they gained their 4 1/2 lengths' lead by Chiswick Steps, and, thereafter, though they still rowed on an average two strokes a minute more than their rivals, gained no more over the second half of the course, shows that they were very little superior in pace. But it shows also that they knew how to race.

If Sutcliffe had said to himself, "Whatever happens, I am going to my best to crack Cambridge by the Mile Post, sink or swim," I believe Oxford would at last have won. Instead, he went off at a miserable 33.

The one really outstanding figure of the crews was Jack Wilson, the Cambridge No. 7. During the long practice—it was this year at least a fortnight longer than usual—he has been the life and soul of the crew. So hard has he rowed throughout the term that he almost endangered his physical fitness. He has placed himself in the first rank of great oarsmen of all time.

Part Of Coaches. The Cambridge coaches, Mr. Nisbet, Mr. McCowen, Mr. Charles Row and last, but not least, their unacknowledged coach, Duckworth, their coxswain, have justified the faith that was placed in them. The old Cambridge Blues, Mr. Hay Thomas, Mr. Kenneth Payne and Mr. Escombe, who have taken such endless pains with Oxford, were much more nearly successful than the result of the race would seem to show.

They taught Oxford how to row. It was hardly in their province to teach them how to race. The thanks of all Oxford oarsmen are freely given to them for what they tried so hard to do, and I can only express the hope that they will continue their work for at least another year. More could not be expected.

The story of the race is briefly told. A fresh westerly wind was blowing, with a touch of north in it. It blew diagonally across the river in Putney Reach, and the water was not so bad as it might have been had it blown from the north-west.

A Perfect Start. Cambridge won the toss and, of course, took the Surrey side. There was no delay in getting out the boats, and Capt. Bourne got the crews away to a perfect start at 2.47. Laurie struck 10, 19 1/2 and 87 (some authorities made it 88) to Sutcliffe's 9 1/2 and 33, and took the lead at the first stroke.

Mr. G. O. Nickalls, who was in a launch level with the crews, tells me that Cambridge gained at least three feet in the first stroke. At the end of the first minute they had a length, and were clear in a minute and a half.

Duckworth's Move. As soon as he had passed the steamer below Beverley Brook Duckworth sought the shelter of the Surrey shore, and Bryan followed his lead. The Oxford cox might have kept to his true course without danger and have gained some advantage for his crew.

Craven Steps were reached in 2min 25 sec with Cambridge striking 31 to Oxford's 29. By the Mile Post (4min 25 sec) Cambridge were nearly two lengths ahead, and at Hammer-smith (7min 42sec—fast time in the prevailing conditions) they had a three-length lead.

### Good Steering

Through the bridge a good piece of steering on the part of Bryan, who went right inside Cambridge, enabled Oxford to reduce some of the leeway, but it did not last long. By Chiswick Steps (12min 18sec) Cambridge had a lead of 4 1/2 lengths.

The time to Barnes Bridge was 16min 19sec. Cambridge were still rowing two strokes a minute more than their rivals, and with a fine burst at 88, in the last half-minute, reached Mortlake, easy winners in 19min 48sec, Oxford passing the post 14sec later.

The latest total comprises 1,633,302 men, 57,989 boys, 300,943 women and 52,226 girls.

A gratifying feature of the return is that the diminution in unemployment during the period under review was spread over all areas, but the most substantial advance was in the north-eastern area of England.

None of the principal industries in Britain showed any marked decline in employment. British Wireless Service.

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	Cts.	Cts.	Cts.	Cts.
<b>POULTRY.</b>				
Chicken	48	30	Beef Sirloin	80
Capon, Small	48	28	" Prime Cut	80
Large	52	28	" Corned	80
Duck	52	22	" Roast	80
Doves	30	22	" Breast	24
Eggs, Hen (cooking) per doz.	30	18	" Soup	25
Eggs, Hen (fresh)	32	25	" Steak	80
Fowl, Hainan	45	35	" Steak Sirloin	45
" Canton	60	—	" Sausages	36
Geese	32	23	Bullock's Brains	per set 17
Pigeons, Canton	42	80	" Tongue, fresh	each 70
" Hainan	28	20	" Saddle	1.00
Turkeys, Cook	60	—	" Heart	1.20
" Hen	50	61	" Hump, Salt	20
Snipe	48	18	" Feet	each 10
Pheasant	pair 1.60	2.20	" Kidneys	15
Quail	each 20	—	" Tail	25
Partridge	—	10	" Liver	15
<b>FRUITS.</b>				
Almonds	16	35	" Tripe	30
Apples (California)	16	28	Calves' Head & Feet	set 1.80
Bananas (brides)	5	4	Mutton Chop	44
Carambolas	12	10	" Leg	44
Coconuts	12	10	" Shoulder	40
Lemons, China	12	10	" Saddle	1.00
Lemons, Americas	12	10	" Brains	per set 10
Lichees, Dried	12	25	" Pig's Chittlings	35
Oranges (Canton)	12	10	" Feet	75
Oranges (Sweet)	18	10	" Fry	26
Pears (Canton)	18	10	" Head	15
Oranges (Americas)	18	10	" Kidneys	12
Persimmons, Large	14	12	" Liver	15
Pineapple, Siam	20	12	" Pork Chop	28
Walnuts	20	12	" Lion	32
Chapote	20	12	" Pig	30
<b>VEGETABLES, ETC.</b>				
Artichokes	12	12	Sheep's Head & Feet	per set 1.00
Beans, Sprout	4	12	" Heart	15
" Long	4	12	" Kidneys	12
Beet Root	12	10	" Liver	15
Brinjals, Green	8	5	" Pork Chop	28
" Red	8	5	" Lion	32
Cabbage, Chinese	8	12	" Pig	30
Cauliflower (Large)	12	12	Sheep's Head & Feet	per set 1.00
" (Medium)	12	12	" Heart	15
" (Small)	12	12	" Kidneys	12
Carrots	12	10	" Liver	15



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## The China Mail

Hong Kong, Tuesday, April 30, 1935.

### The Duel

"The duel cannot continue for ever" remarks one of the authors of the Silver Purchase Act, Representative Dies, and that is at any rate one comment that we can agree with; but it would be even more interesting if he had explained why it was necessary to have a duel at all. At any rate it clears the air somewhat to know that the strange policy of offering to buy silver for a higher price than other purchasers are giving was inaugurated with a deliberate intention of compelling other nations to do something that they would not choose to do, and not merely in ignorance of its subversive effects on commerce. It is not so easy to understand why Mr. Dies should be surprised that with "the United States" buying all the silver that she can get, some other Governments are apparently bidding up the price to keep the silver within their own borders. It sounds very like the old story of the wolf and the lamb. The countries referred to are naturally anxious to get as high a price as they can for such silver as they hold; but in any case the operations of the speculators dwarf any Government action; and the restrictions on the sale of silver are originally due to the Agreement engineered by the American delegates to the World Economic Conference. It is practical lesson in the dangers of such interference with the natural flow of commodities, and if the alleged aim of the Washington authorities to hold a second Conference is correct and invitations are issued it is a lesson that will be borne in mind, and cause any suggestions to be received with even more suspicion than at the previous meeting.

It does seem probable that there is such a scheme, and that the proposal will be for the old plan of bimetalism in the ratio of sixteen to one; and if the other countries are unable to devise any alternative, the control of the medium of trade between all nations would become the American dollar. The first result would be a revolution in France where the prestige of the Republican regime is entirely bound up with the maintenance of the gold basis; and great sacrifices have been made for that purpose. Already there has been a marked development towards confining trade to the other countries of the "gold bloc." The loss of London control of sterling would be even more revolutionary; and it is

quite possible that Mr. Dies has not realised that if all the world's money was based on gold and silver, and the States held all the floating supplies of both, it would be necessary either to abolish the great Tariff or to give up foreign trade altogether.

Ever since 1876 there has been a hankering in the Western States for a bimetallic system or inconvertible paper coinage, and the famous speech of William Jennings Bryan about the crucifixion of humanity on a cross of gold was appealing to an old tradition. The fight for sound money was the hardest struggle of the career of Alexander Hamilton, one of the fathers of the Republic. But even before the days of the Revolution the Western frontier, which then hardly begun to reach what would nowadays be called the Middle West, was demanding greenbacks, and development grants paid out of the resources of the printing press without any legislative restriction. It was one of the thorns in the side of old George III, and perhaps the fact that he was opposed to the programme has had something to do with its subsequent perennial popularity. The Eastern States, which have had to do most of the financing, have as consistently supported "sound money" and the financial scandals of many of the big corporations, by creating vast and widespread suspicion, only part of which has been justified, have handed over to the "Radicals" the keys of the citadel. It is now a desperate struggle between the champions of caution, and the champions of experiment. The rest of the world can only look on, and regret that their own affairs have become so entwined with a contest in which they would prefer to have neither part nor lot.

For us the only policy is to have a plan in reserve to prevent our being jolted up and down at the tail of the speculative cart in its career of exploration which has nothing to do with our requirements for trade with South China. It is to be presumed that all arrangements have been made for immediate action if the jolts continue to make trade more and more difficult. A managed currency may have its drawbacks, but a currency based on a metal managed by speculators would be intolerable. At eighteen pence sterling to the dollar, we should be quite reasonable close both to Shanghai and Canton, and level with the rupee.

### MEAL FOR AN ELEPHANT

Zoologists say a large elephant eats about half a ton of hay each day and often drinks 50 gallons of water without stopping.

## HERE, THERE and EVERYWHERE

"DE LAWD" HARRISON

"De Lawd" Harrison went on the stage at the age of 66. He was offered the part of the Lord in "The Green Pastures"—the part he was about to play for the 1,658th time when he collapsed and died—by Marc Connelly, author of the play.

He didn't answer at first. "But then something in my soul replied, 'I'll stick to you through thick and thin, Mr. Connelly!'" From that moment he became "De Lawd."

The first reception of "The Green Pastures" was mixed. "Dreadfully lacking in box-office ability," wrote one critic.

He was wrong. The play became a legend throughout America, and made a triumphal progress through 39 States and 203 towns.

**CAIN MARRIED ON ANGEL**  
At the jubilee performance 10 of the original 15 cherubim were found to have outgrown their parts. Noah had married Eve and Cain one of the angels.

"The Green Pastures" was introduced to England through the columns of the *Evening Standard*, where it was serialised.

### Your Daily Smile!

Government Examiner: "How did you come to mark this man's paper 101 per cent? Don't you know that nothing can be more perfect than 100 per cent?"

New Assistant: "Yes, but this man answered one question we didn't ask."

Naturally  
"Did you hear what they do with ferryboats when they're late?"  
"No, What?"  
"Dock 'em."

**Tight Quarters**  
Teacher was taking her class of young pupils in astronomy. The moon was the subject.

"Now," she said, "some people believe that there are fifty million people on the moon." She paused as a titter of laughter reached her ears. "William," she snapped at one of the boys, "what are you laughing at?"

"I was just thinking, teacher, what a squeeze it must be up there when there's only a quarter moon."

**Not Strange**  
"An old school friend of yours asked to be remembered to you—a man called Robinson."

"Don't remember him."  
"Short chap with whiskers."  
"I never went to school with a short chap with whiskers."

## LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day was 0.44 inch. The total since January 1 has been 9.34 inches, as against an average of 11.17 inches.

The s.s. Tilawa will leave here for Shanghai and Japan ports at 6 a.m. to-morrow.

Appearing before Mr. E. I. Wynne Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on a charge of adultery, Li Kwok-leung, a 34-year-old coolie, was fined \$500, in default six months' imprisonment, while Leung Yu, a 28-year-old married woman and the woman involved, was fined \$50, in default one month's imprisonment, at the husband's request.

The Violet Peel Health Centre in Johnston Road, Wanchai, will be opened on Monday, May 13, at 5 p.m. by Lady Peel.

A Dinner Dance will be held at Repulse Bay Hotel to-morrow evening. The last bus leaves Repulse Bay at 1 a.m.

## "KING LEAR" ACTED IN YIDDISH

### Shakespeare Popular In Russia

Moscow.  
The plays of Shakespeare are enjoying a great run of popularity in Russia at the moment.

"King Lear," played in Yiddish, has nightly been filling the Jewish theatre here with delighted crowds. "Hamlet," translated into the Uzbek language, created such interest when it was announced that it was to be shown in Tashkent, Central Asia, that tickets were sold out in days before the opening performance.

# THE MAIN DUTY OF GOVERNMENT

## THE SAFETY OF THE EMPIRE

### ALARMING WEAKNESS OF BRITAIN'S DEFENCES

(By Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill)

London.  
THE prime duty of every Government is the defence of its citizens from foreign aggression. Indeed, it is the main purpose for which Governments exist.

To a Government claiming for itself the proud title of "National" this should present itself in the most imperative and binding form. For what could be more terrible than the responsibility of Ministers if, when danger draws nigh, it were found that this country was not safe and that the necessary measures to make it safe had been neglected?

### Britain's Right Arm

Before the Great War the greatest pains and care were taken both by the Government and the Opposition to make sure that our naval defence was ample. The House of Commons required to be satisfied upon all the principal points. The Government took pride in proving that the immense additions they were making to the Fleet would guarantee the safety and freedom of the island and its connections with the Empire, whatever happened.

Thus, when suddenly and swiftly the hateful catastrophe broke upon the world, Britain and her Empire were secure. The Fleet was ready; every ship was at its station. The command of the seas passed silently and instantaneously into our hands; nor was it challenged till nearly three years later by the U-boats.

### Growing Dangers

The dangers inherent in the present foreign situation, which many have seen growing for the last three or four years, are now becoming plain for all men. There is fear that voting for peace and working for peace may not bring peace. There is a sense of uncontrollable world forces, in the military as well as in the economic world which engulf nations, and before which the most sincere and righteous wishes cannot prevail.

However, we must not despair of peace, but persevere faithfully and allow no wrongful pride or passion to affect our policy. To plead for defensive preparations is not to proclaim the imminence of war. If war were imminent, preparations would be too late. We should pray, indeed, that they may not already be too late!

What, then, is the condition of the British defences in this anxious spring of 1935? What of the Fleet? What of the Army? Above all, what of the Air? We have still, according to my judgment, the strongest Navy in the world. Nevertheless, it is not to naval dangers that we are likely to be immediately exposed. The former German fleet is at the bottom of the sea, and the new one will take a good many years to build. All we have to do for our Navy at present is to make sure that it is properly supplied with the necessary stores and reserves of munitions and fuel. And that when the wretched London Treaty expires in 1936 we shall recover our necessary freedom of design.

### What Of The Army?

Although the British Empire is larger, more disturbed, and more exposed than in 1914, the British Army is much smaller. We have virtually no Expeditionary Force, and happily no one is counting upon us to send one to his aid. It is my belief that if we should become the objects of foreign aggression, and attack, the main task of our Army would be to organise the exodus which will take place from London and other great cities; to prevent panic among the inhabitants; and to protect them from pestilence and famine during the early phases of the emergency.

Preparations should, of course, be made to convert the whole of our industry, should it become necessary, to various forms of munition production. This has already been completed by every other country in the world, to an

extent and with a refinement which is at once astounding and alarming.

It would be wrong and imprudent in the last degree if we were to neglect this. The Socialist Party have procured an inquiry into what they call the "arms racket," and many worthy people think that the private manufacture of war materials should be prevented. A much more pertinent inquiry would be how to convert and prepare private firms all over the country to undertake this work to the utmost capacity should an occasion arise.

### Air Potency

But it is when we consider the air that the full gravity of our position bursts upon us. During the last six years Mr. Ramsay MacDonald has been Prime Minister and has presided over the Committee of Imperial Defence. During the last three of these years the whole European situation has been transformed, and transformed entirely to our disadvantage.

The plainest warnings have been given both in Parliament and in the Press, that Germany was secretly creating a military Air Force contrary to the treaty. Last year we drew from Mr. Baldwin a promise that the British Air Force should not be inferior to that of any country within striking distance of our shores. In particular, it was understood that we should never become inferior to Germany in the air.

When I raised this question in the debate on the Address last November we received the most positive assurances from the Government that there was no danger of this. Mr. Baldwin made these two definite statements: (1) the German Air Force is not rapidly approaching equality with our own, but is still only 50 per cent. of ours (i.e., half as strong); (2) a year from now (i.e., November 1935) we shall be at least 50 per cent. (i.e., three to two) stronger than Germany in the air.

### Inaccurate Statements

These were very remarkable declarations. They came from a Minister in the highest responsibility, with access to all the secret information. The Government Press, and naturally the Socialist and Liberal organs, accepted them with complete confidence and relief. Those who had warned the Government that a far worse state of things existed were written down as "scaremongers."

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## TORONTO'S EXPENSE FOR RELIEF WORK

### Cost, \$11,523,245 During 1934

Toronto—Public welfare work in Toronto last year cost \$11,523,245, of which \$8,808,491 was spent on unemployment relief, \$64,937 on direct relief, and \$2,649,816 on general welfare according to A. W. Laver, welfare commissioner.

Assistance was given during the year to 5,250,544 individuals. The average weekly cost for a family for food, shelter, gas, light, water and school supplies, clothing and special diets was \$6.06.

## "BUS" NOW OFFICIAL NAME

### London Transport Board's Decree

It has been decreed officially that as everyone else speaks of a "bus" for an omnibus it is time that the word was adopted in official language by the London Passenger Transport Board.

"Omnibus" is a cumbersome word," said an official. "An omnibus is called 'bus' by most people in London, so we thought it would be right that we ourselves should use the shorter word."



## CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE COMPANY MEETING

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The China Provident Loan and Mortgage Company, Limited, held their annual general meeting in the Jacobean Room of the Hong Kong Hotel this morning when the Chairman, Mr. C. A. da Rosa, commented on the most satisfactory net profit earned on the small amount of capital involved in the Company's Motor Transport Service.

Those present at the meeting were:—Mr. C. A. da Rosa (Chairman), Sir Robert Ho Tung, Messrs. T. B. Wilson, S. M. Churn, N. V. A. Croucher, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga and Mr. Li Tse-fong (Board of Directors), and Messrs. J. Tam Hong, and H. J. M. de Figueiro (shareholders).

### CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH

In his review of the year the Chairman said:—

"In the course of my speech at the last annual general meeting, I had occasion to refer to the heavy decrease which had taken place in the volume of those particular cargoes then offering for storage and on which this Company so largely depends for its revenue; and it is with regret that I now have to report a continuance of that state of affairs during the past year, with corresponding effect upon the working results of this Company.

"Both the sugar and flour trades in this Company have been seriously affected by the operations of the Kwangtung Government Monopoly Bureau, and a large number of merchants, who have for many years past dealt heavily in these commodities, have been compelled to suspend trading owing to the discriminatory preference, which has been conferred upon cargoes imported by and under the aegis of the Bureau.

"The bulk of Bureau Sugar imports into China from Java are now transit cargoes, utilising Hong Kong as a port of transshipment only, thus producing a most radical change in the old order of things whereby Hong Kong was the main centre of distribution.

Although to a lesser extent, the flour trade has been affected by the keen competition offered by Shanghai milled flour which enjoys tariff preference on importation into China over the Canadian, Australian and American products which have hitherto held the South China markets via Hong Kong as a depot for stocks.

### Kwangtung Situation

"It might be considered out of place for me to offer any criticism of the policy adopted by the Kwangtung Government in this respect; but it is essential that I bring the situation to your notice in order that you may better appreciate the factors which have so largely contributed to the result which is now before you—factors over which Hong Kong regrettably has no control.

"Until such time as the economic demands of the consumer in China can successfully induce a change in this policy, it is difficult to foresee any improvement in the present position.

"Turning to the credit side of the Profit and Loss account, it will be noted that interest on loans shows a slight reduction on the figures for the previous year, and that the rentals derived from our Kowloon and Aberdeen properties show a decrease of about \$5,000. During the latter half of the year under review, it was decided to 'close' six of our Kowloon houses in view of the poor support received in that district.

"The debit items on Profit and Loss Account contain the amounts charged by way of Interest on Mortgage and Overdraft, and in this connection I would remind you that in the first quarter of the year, we liquidated one of our Mortgage debts—\$449,000—by utilising our available cash balance and over-drawing on our bankers for the remainder. This explains the reappearance of 'Overdraft' Account in our Balance Sheet, and also the reduction in Mortgages on Property.

"Godown Earnings Lower  
"A saving in outgoing interest has resulted from this transaction, to the extent of \$5,670, for the nine months following the repayment.



This recent picture of Ananda, right, boy King of Siam, shows him with his mother, Princess Mahidol, and his little brother at Caux, France, where he met delegates from his country.

## WOMAN ORGANISES DEMONSTRATION

For Abolition Of The  
Death Penalty

### PARADE OF SANDWICH BOARD MEN

The story of the amazing demonstration organized by Mrs. Violet van der Elst in connection with the execution of Stoker Petty Officer Albert Brigstock for the murder of Chief Petty Officer Dugan aboard H.M.S. Marshal Sout, is the second for which she has recently been responsible.

At the beginning of last month, when George Frank Harvey had to suffer a like punishment, Mrs. van der Elst, who has organized a new society to urge the abolition of the death penalty, arranged for a parade of sandwich-board men carrying posters bearing legends "Stop Capital Punishment" and "Mercy is not Weakness" outside Pentonville Prison half an hour before the time of execution, while, when that was actually being carried out, a procession passing, one of the members of which carried a picture of a woman standing on a scaffold with a noose over her head.

It had also been arranged that a band should be in attendance to play a hymn and also some symphonies of Mrs. van der Elst's own composition. That, however, was stopped by action of the authorities.

While it is possible to have sympathy with those who would like to see the death penalty go, though not necessarily agreeing with such a doctrine, anything which is calculated to interfere with the orderly execution of the law is roundly to be condemned.

The second escapade has undoubtedly been more disgraceful than the first. So long as the capital penalty is the law of the land it should be carried out with the greatest possible decency and reverence, especially when there are proper means for securing legal reform it and when Parliament can be made to see eye to eye with the would-be-reformers.

### TEST OF CHINESE LIQUID EGGS

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The paper adds that it is doubtful whether any case of disease or food poisoning in this country has been traced to Chinese liquid eggs, and neither can any process be defined whereby they could conceivably convey illness to human beings. It is understood that a full report will be presented to Parliament shortly.

The net earnings of our Godowns were 47 per cent. lower than for the previous year, and it is not surprising therefore, that in spite of drastic economies, which your Board have introduced during the year, the expense of maintaining and operating the Company's properties and business should bear so high a relation to the revenue figures.

"The economies referred to are embodied in the working account.

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## EMPIRE TRIBUTES TO KING

25,000 TROOPS TO  
PARADE AT  
ALDERSHOT

### STUNT FLYING BY 400 PLANES

London, To-day.

The subjects of His Majesty King George the Fifth have gathered in London in their hundreds of thousands to give thanks and pay homage to their Sovereign who celebrates his Silver Jubilee on Monday next, the 25th anniversary of his accession to the throne.

From all parts of the world they have collected. From Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, India, Malaya; from Scotland, Ireland and Wales; from remote dependencies and far-flung outposts of the Empire; from the industrial Midlands and the quiet countryside of England; men of all kinds and degree, all races and creeds, and of every colour, together with their wives and families in many cases. It is a great Empire gathering.

### State Procession

The Jubilee celebrations will begin on the morning of May 6, when the King, accompanied by the Queen, will drive in procession from Buckingham Palace to St. Paul's Cathedral for the Silver Jubilee Thanksgiving Service.

Their Majesties will ride in an open State Landau drawn by six of the famous "Windsor Grays," while the other nine landaus which comprise the procession will be occupied by members of the Royal family, Dominion representatives and the Prime Minister. Each will be drawn by a team of four bay horses from the Royal mews at Windsor.

The route of the procession in Constitution Hill, Piccadilly, St. James's, the Strand, Fleet Street and Ludgate Hill. The return is via St. Paul's Churchyard, Cannon Street, Victoria Embankment, Northumberland Avenue, Admiralty Arch and the Mall.

### Thanksgiving Service

The Thanksgiving Service at St. Paul's will include the singing of the Te Deum to the setting special hymn composed by Dr. Stanley Meier, and the Dean and Chapter will wear the special copes made for the reopening of the Cathedral.

The King and Queen are due to arrive at the Cathedral at 11.30 a.m. and the Bishop of London and the Lord Mayor having proceeded to their stalls, the service will start with the first verse of the National Anthem. The hymn "All people that on earth do dwell" will follow. Dr. S. M. Berry, Moderator of the Federal Council of Evangelical Free Churches, will read the lesson, and the hymn "I love thee, my country," by Cecil Spring-Rice, with music by Gustav Holst, will precede an address by the Archbishop of Canterbury. There will be another hymn, "O God of Jacob, by Whose Hand Thy people still are fed," followed by the Special Thanksgiving prayer offered by the Bishop of London. This part of the service will end with the Lord's Prayer said by the Dean.

### End of Service

The Archbishop of Canterbury, the Bishop of London, the Dean of Canons, residentiary, and the College of Minor Canons will then be conducted to the sanctuary, where they will take up places at the high altar with the three Bishops Suffragan during the singing of the Te Deum. The Blessing will be given by the Archbishop of Canterbury, and the service will end with the first and third verses of the National Anthem.

At the close, the Archbishop will lead the choir and clergy from the chancel into the south choir aisles, while the Bishop of London and the Chapter will be conducted from the sanctuary and will escort the King and Queen to the west door, the Lord Mayor going before them with the pearl sword.

### General Celebrations

London will en fete on Jubilee Day.

All the great buildings in London will be floodlit, and night will be turned into day. Buckingham Palace, St. James's Palace, the Admiralty, Big Ben, Westminster Abbey—all these and other buildings, including hotels, theatres and offices will be bathed in silver light and brilliant illuminations of colour, massive, crowns and down 27900, and there is a gift of 28000 to the new League building.

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To-day's Short Story.

## Keynote & Coda

By Anthony  
Gittins

IT may be that parents send their sons to Countiscombe because it combines "the most up-to-date and exemplary methods of education with the advantages of a *residence* situation." (See Page Two of the illustrated prospectus). Or it may be that, in many cases, family custom demands loyalty to Countiscombe in each successive generation, for the college dates back to the sixteenth century.

One thing, however, is certain. Parents do not send their sons there on account of the music lessons given every Tuesday and Friday by Mr. Nathan Chancel, L.R.A.M. Or, shall we say, neither music nor Mr. Chancel offers much inducement to those parents who expect their sons to be thoroughly grounded in science, the classics, maths and so on, and care not the pip of a fig for pursuits that seem dilettantish and unprofitable.

Besides, the illustrated prospectus of Countiscombe College is a little reticent about the facilities for musical education; pardonably so, perhaps, in view of the fact that the music room is a derelict army hut adjoining the porter's kitchen-garden, and that its furniture consists of a piano, two chairs, several

broken desks, an iron stove with a funnel sticking through the roof, and an untidy pile of maps on the floor at one end.

As for the cello, propped up in the farthest and darkest corner, Mr. Chancel had never noticed it until Aloys Walden drew his attention to it one day. No one, said Aloys Walden, knew whose it was, or whence it came, or why it was there.

"It looks so unhappy, sir, with all its strings gone. If it only had a little varnish too, sir. Why, it would come to life again with a little varnish!"

### TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be "A Price For Love," by Jack Lindsay.

Mr. Chancel told him not to talk nonsense. Walden was only 14; it was his first term. He always spoke of the cello in this imaginative, rather dreamy manner. He had, indeed, a most restless imagination, but being shy he kept to himself. Wherefore his house-master had written in his half-term report:—

"Inclined to be exclusive in thought and manner, but I think this is only a phase."

And Mr. Chancel's disapproval of Walden was of the same, simple, pedagogic nature. Boys with imagination were tiresome, too. They thought for themselves. They even had ungovernable (one might almost say, ungentlemanly) suspicions that their tutors might sometimes be wrong. Such boys would never go far. They would never carve ineffaceable niches for themselves as, say, teachers of music (every Tuesday and Friday), or house-masters (those splendid lordlings of our parrot-chatter days).

So Mr. Chancel rapped with the back of his bony fingers on the pages of Lemare's *Andantino*, and said:—

"Come along now, Walden. Let me see how much practice you've put in this time."

Walden started playing. "No, no!" interrupted Mr. Chancel. "The same old mistake!" He scratched his scant hair vigorously. "Why will you prolong that rest beyond its proper value? Start here again."

Walden recommenced the phrase, failed again to satisfy Mr. Chancel, tried a third time and displeased him once more.

"Good heavens, boy!" barked Mr. Chancel, and pushed Walden off the chair. "Listen while I play it."

Whereat he sat himself hastily and heavily before the piano, adjusted his wire-rimmed glasses with a savage gesture, and attacked and overcame the piece in his best academic manner. That is to say, he combined all the virtues of a metronome and a musical box, and went from start to finish without a trace of sympathetic expression.

"There!" he said expansively, somewhat gratified by his own performance. (He had struck only two blue notes). But when he turned round Walden was staring into the far corner of the room. Mr. Chancel frowned. He knew what was occupying the boy's mind. It was the cello again. He would have to speak about having that cello removed.

"You're not paying the least attention, Walden!" he snapped. The boy was intolerable. He seemed always to be in a dream. Sometimes he even needed shaking to be roused. He had to be shaken now. Mr. Chancel shook him with the splenetic impatience of one who knows that any parental complaints of the boy's progress would be laid at his door.

At the beginning of the term he had been told by Walden's house-master that the boy's parents wanted him to be cured of "brooding and wasting his time in trying to compose music." They said, "trying to compose" because everything that came out of his head sounded to them like what was called "chamber music" on the wireless. And they didn't like chamber music. Their criterion was "The Blue Danube."

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## DR. McLEAN GIBSON FAREWELLED

### Large Gathering At The Gloucester

Under the presidency of the Hon. Dr. S. W. To, Chairman of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals, a large number of people gathered at the Gloucester Restaurant yesterday, when a farewell presentation was made to Dr. R. McLean Gibson.

Besides the Chairman, others present included the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, Hon. Sir William Shenton, Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, Sir Robert Ho Tung, Professor W. I. Gerrard, Professor K. H. Digby, Professor J. H. Shellshar, Dr. F. M. Grace, Ozorio, Rev. H. R. Wells, Rev. and Mrs. E. G. Powell, Mr. A. Stevenson, Mr. H. R. Forsyth, Mr. S. V. Boxer, Mr. A. Sommerfeld, members of the medical staffs of the Affiliated Hospital, the General Committee and many Chinese friends.

## PRESENTATION TO REV. N. V. HALWARD

### Going On Leave For Health Reasons

At a farewell social held in the Church House last night, a presentation of a camera and two dressing gowns was made to the Reverend N. V. Halward, Priest-in-charge of the Kowloon Tong Anglican Church, who is going on leave shortly owing to ill-health.

Among those present at the function were Bishop and Mrs. R. O. Hall, Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Hys, Rev. and Mrs. L. L. Nash, Rev. H. W. Baines, Rev. C. B. R. Sargent, Lieut. Col. E. R. MacPherson, Mr. Geo. She, Mr. and Mrs. S. Jex, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. V. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. P. Guest, Miss Ruby Mow Fung, Mr. Rufus Wong, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. L. Wong, Mrs. J. F. Shea and Mr. Ashton Hill.

## NEW ORGANIST FOR CATHEDRAL

### Mr. Lindsay Lafford Appointed

### FROM HEREFORD CATHEDRAL

The newly appointed organist of St. John's Cathedral, Mr. Lindsay Lafford, is due to arrive in the Colony to-morrow by the s.s. Rangoon.

Mr. Lafford was formerly Assistant Organist of Hereford Cathedral and comes with very high recommendations from Cathedral and musical authorities.

Since Mr. Mason's departure for Australia, Mr. G. K. Oliver, formerly Organist at St. Andrew's, Kowloon, has taken charge.

Mr. Lafford's appointment was made by the Dean's committee in England after some months of careful enquiry for a suitable candidate.

### STREET OF WITNESSES

Applying for a summons for assault at Dartford, Kent, a woman was asked if she had any witnesses. The woman—Yes, the whole street.

# Keynote And Coda

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Indeed, had their son not been physically delicate, Mr. and Mrs. Walden would have insisted on him playing games instead of learning music. Besides, all that he now knew he had learnt by himself so it seemed foolish pay for a teacher. But the discipline, they agreed, would be so good for him.

It was, of course, foolish of Mr. Chancel to nourish him on milk-and-water music. In fact, it was sheer criminal stupidity. The boy should long ago have been immersed in the best works of the finest composers. But Mr. Chancel kept tripping him up on small points, trivial and inconsequent points, because he was a teacher, a man to whom discipline was the keynote of life, a hawker of rusty platitudes.

So he said with considerable asperity: "Now sit down and play it as I did. I'm not going to let you tackle another piece until you do this one properly. Understand that."

And Walden replied in his quiet but curiously expressive voice: "Do you mean, sir, that I must—must play it just as you played it? Just as you did—then?" And in this moment his pallor gave to his sensitive features a statuesque quality. But they were denied statuesque repose by something febrile and nervous in their set.

"No!" he cried passionately, "I can't do it like that! I can't! It means nothing at all. I must do something new, something more."

"Walden," said Mr. Chancel, very sternly, "do you want me to speak to the headmaster?"

For how else could a man of Mr. Chancel's calibre react to such insubordination? And after all, how was he to know that Aylene Walden was a musical prodigy, a boy whose talents were already up to the standard demanded in the greatest concert halls of Europe and America? How was poor Mr. Chancel even to guess this? He couldn't be expected to understand boys. He was only a schoolmaster.

"But why, sir?" exclaimed Walden. "What good would that do? For two weeks you've made me keep this piece. I come here and play it, sir, and you say it's wrong, and I play it again, and you say it's wrong, and again—again—again!"

His continual gestures marked his emotion. "You don't seem to understand, sir. You just say you'll punish me. Haven't you punished me enough by giving me this piece to do so often?"

"You forget yourself, Walden," said Mr. Chancel, vastly affronted. "You have need of discipline. Look at you now. You have no control over yourself." He eyed the boy severely. "However, I'm prepared to overlook this outburst if you—"

Why, really Walden! exclaimed Mr. Chancel in amazement, "this is no laughing matter!"

For there was actually a smile on the boy's face, and he was looking at something in the far corner. It was most remarkable, the fascination that the cello seemed to have for him. Yet even though he smiled, there was abstraction in his eyes. Then, sharply, the amusement died out of his expression and was followed by a frown of cloudy concentration.

"Walden!" barked Mr. Chancel. "Don't sleep when I'm talking to you, boy! What on earth is it that makes you keep staring over there?"

"The cello, sir."

"The cello! Is that all?"

"Yes, sir."

"Are you trying to make a fool of me, Walden?"

"Oh, no, sir! You see, I've written a piece of music about that cello."

"Indeed!" said Mr. Chancel dryly. "Something funny, I suppose, judging from your expression a moment ago."

"There's a scherzo movement, sir."

"You must play it to me, Walden, and make me laugh," remarked Mr. Chancel with unwieldy sarcasm.

"Can I, sir?" said the boy eagerly.

rubish you spend your time composing."

Walden went to the piano. "It's really a sonata for piano and cello, sir," he explained, "but I've worked it out for a piano alone."

There was a brief pause. Some cello fell softly through the grating of the stove, and a draught came in under the door, making the folios rustle on the music rest.

Then Walden began playing, and within a minute Mr. Chancel, that simple, stolid disciplinarian, felt the first sweet caress of emotion. The music conjured up pictures, and these pictures unfolded a story, and strange colours planned smoothly all over the dull decor of the room until the place was transformed, as a village under snow is transformed.

His glance strayed to the farthest corner, and there the cello seemed to stand out of the shadows in vivid relief, shining with new varnish and fitted with strings. Even as he gazed at it, a little old man in knee breeches and buckled shoes materialised and took up the melody with a flourish of the bow.

Then came the third movement, the scherzo, characterised by a staccato repetition of one low note (the cello's taking it pizzicato, thought Mr. Chancel), followed by five notes in tonal progression. The old man's curly wig bobbed to the rhythm, a smile lightened his serene and withered features; and the lace on his cuffs tossed merrily with every rapid motion of his wrists. The smile became a grin, and the corners of his mouth were little pits. And Mr. Chancel found himself grinning, too.

After a while the tempo changed. A subtle depth of emotion crept into the music, and the colours that transformed the room took on a more velvety tone, like the glow on the sea after sundown. Then a peaceful shade passed across the old man's face and dimmed those features in which Mr. Chancel, under the guidance of the music, had read so much.

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## THE MAIN DUTY OF GOVERNMENT

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Only a fortnight ago the Government spokesman was put up to say that "we were still substantially stronger than Germany in the air, and would still be stronger in the autumn."

There is no doubt that these statements were quite wrong. Indeed, they had no relation whatever to the truth. Herr Hitler recently declared that the German Air Force is already as strong as the British; and this fact was solemnly announced to the public by the British Broadcasting Corporation. Confirmation was provided in the House of Commons subsequently by Sir John Simon, who revealed that in the course of the recent conversations in Berlin Herr Hitler stated, "in general terms," that Germany had reached parity with Great Britain in the air.

In fact, however, the position is far worse than these tardy admissions disclose. How much worse, it may be difficult to prove. However, during the present year it will become obvious that Germany is increasing her air power at anything from five to ten times the rate at which we are increasing ours.

### Perilous Miscalculations

What a disquieting thing it is that Ministers should be found to have made solemn statements to Parliament on a vital matter of this kind which are proved to be absolutely wrong; and that private members and independent newspapers should have been able to form a far truer view of our position.

If the House of Commons did its duty in the way in which other Parliaments have done, such perilous miscalculations in high places could never pass without accountability being enforced. The fact that the Conservative Party, the chief custodian of national safety, is so all too ready to purport asleep and out of a don's already brought Great Britain into a position contrary to that promised by Ministers: only a year ago, and where we can only purchase national safety by costly dependence upon foreign aid. This disastrous and deplorable condition must now be faced.

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## Ainsworth Trial

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**YARDS OR FEET**

Mr. Macnamara—"Don't you think that when the accused said that he first saw the deceased at a distance of 75 yards what he really meant to say was 75 feet?" Witness: "I don't know what he meant to say, all I know is that he said 75 yards and I took that down."

"With regard to these tests, was Mr. Ainsworth present when the test were carried out?" Witness: "I told him that I was going to test the brakes, but he took no steps to attend, and so I didn't trouble any further."

Sergeant Baker was the next witness called. In answering questions put by the Crown, witness said that accused had not helped with the measuring of the skid marks immediately after the accident had occurred. In one of his statements accused stated that he had. The skid mark was 97 feet long and the accused had said "That's right," on being informed of this by witness.

**SKID MARK UNKNOWN**

Mr. Macnamara interjected at this point and said that he would prove that accused had in fact known nothing of the length of the skid mark. Consequently he had made no comment.

Indian Police Constable B 503 was then called to give evidence. He stated that at the time of the accident he had been about to turn left off Nathan Road into Jordan Road. He heard the sound of a fast approaching vehicle and turned and was accused's car coming down Nathan Road. He paid no further attention until the sound of the crash. He did not see the actual crash because he had already turned into Jordan Road before it occurred.

Cross-examined by Mr. Macnamara witness stated that he had not seen the deceased, although he was at the same spot from where, according to the Crown, deceased was stated to have stepped.

**ON ISLAND NOT PAVEMENT**

Mr. Macnamara: "Of course you did not see him. You didn't see him because he was never there. Deceased came from the traffic island in the centre of the road and not from the pavement."

Counsel for the defence then addressed the jury. He stated that the indictment which had been served against Mr. Ainsworth was one of the most serious in criminal law. There were too many accidents on the roads and it could be proved that these accidents were mostly caused by three types of drivers—young drivers with little experience, drivers with many previous convictions, and drivers under the influence of drink. Fortunately not one of these things could be alleged against his client.

## FEDERATION IN INDIA

### MAJORITY OF STATES LIKELY TO ADHERE

#### Travancore Claims May Decide Issue

#### FORMER MISUNDERSTANDINGS REGARDED AS LIQUIDATED

Simla, To-day.

It is learned that adhesion to the Federation plan of at least 51 per cent. of that part of India which is ruled by the Princes is regarded in official circles as practically certain.

Among the larger States whose entry into the Federation is counted on are Hyderabad, Travancore, Mysore, Gwalior, Kashmir, Jaipur, Jodhpur, and Udaipur.

Although it is expected that some of the smaller States will continue to agitate against the scheme, official circles regard the previous misunderstandings as liquidated.

If the claims now being urged by Travancore are fairly met it is declared that the other maritime States are likely to follow her lead and accept the scheme. — Reuter.

### JUBILEE POSTAL CONCESSIONS

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thirdly, an extension of the telephone service making the telephone by the end of 1938 as readily available in rural and remote parts of the country, as in the cities and towns and involving the installation of additional 1,000 telephone call offices, and finally an improvement in the Empire communications by the introduction on June 15 of the Imperial penny post-card rate, instead of three-half pence.

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Ainsworth, Mr. Fraser reconstructed the scene of the accident with the relative positions of the car, the deceased, and the traffic island.

Mr. Fraser: "How do you suggest he was struck?"

Witness: "I don't know. I think that it is possible that he could have caught hold of some part of the car, but I don't know as I did not see him hit."

The case was adjourned at this stage until this afternoon.

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